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## Banks.

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED .....Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... „ 12,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED..... „ 12,000,000
RESERVE FUND ..... „ 7,500,000

*Head Office*:—YOKOHAMA.

*Branches and Agencies.*

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| TOKIO. | KOBE. |
| NAGASAKI. | LONDON. |
| LYONS. | NEW YORK. |
| SAN FRANCISCO. | HONOLULU. |
| BOMBAY. | SHANGHAI. |
| TIENTSIN. | |

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARRS' BANK, LD.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.

HONGKONG AGENCY:—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
„ 6 „ 4 „
„ 3 „ 3 „

S. CHOH,
Agent.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1899. [382

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS .....£800,000
RESERVE FUND .....£500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
„ „ 6 „ ...3½ „
„ „ 3 „ ...2½ „

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 20th May, 1898. [31

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... 2,500,000

*Head Office*:—SHANGHAI.

*Branches and Agencies.*

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| CANTON. | PEKING. |
| CHEFOO. | SINGAPORE. |
| CHINKIANG. | SWATOW. |
| FOOCHOW. | TIENTSIN. |
| HANKOW. | |

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
3 % per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
4 % „ „ 6 „
5 % „ „ 12 „

E. W. RUTTER,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1899. [1237

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND .....$11,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS. $10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
R. M. GRAY, Esq., Chairman.
N. A. SIEBS, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
David Meyer Moses, Esq.

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| E. Goetz, Esq. | A. McConachie, Esq. |
| A. Haupt, Esq. | A. J. Raymond, Esq. |
| R. H. Hill, Esq. | P. Sachse, Esq. |
| The Hon. J. J. Keswick. | R. Shewan, Esq. |

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—Sir THOMAS JACKSON.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of ½ per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1899. [9

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [10

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000
Paid up Capital .....£ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE.—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:—
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.

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| Chow Tung Shang, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq. |
| D. Gillies, Esq. | J. T. Tants, Esq. |

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed .....5 %
Hongkong, 30th May, 1895. [8

## Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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| FOR | STEAMERS | CAPTAINS | TO SAIL | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| LONDON, &c... | *Clyde** | C. T. Denny, R.N.R. | ...Noon, 9th Dec. | Freight or Passage. |
| JAPAN ..... | *Rosetta*† | C. C. Talbot, R.N.R. | 9th Dec. | Freight or Passage. |
| SHANGHAI ... | *Parramatta* | A. Symons. | About 9th Dec. | Freight or Passage. |
| LONDON..... | *Japan* | G. K. Wright, R.N.R. | About 14th Dec. | Freight or Passage. |
| LONDON..... | *Socotra* | T. H. Hide, R.N.R. | About 28th Dec. | Freight only. |

*(See Special Advertisement). †(Passing through the Inland Sea).

For Further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1899. [5

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

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STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;

Steamers will call at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

| STEAMERS. | SAILING DATES. |
|---|---|
| *KONIG ALBERT* | WEDNESDAY, 13th December. |
| *PRINZ HEINRICH* | WEDNESDAY, 27th December. |
| *PREUSSEN* | WEDNESDAY, 10th January. |
| *KARLSRUHE* | WEDNESDAY, 24th January. |
| *SACHSEN* | WEDNESDAY, 7th February. |
| *OLDENBURG* | WEDNESDAY, 21st February. |
| *BAYERN* | WEDNESDAY, 7th March. |
| *STUTTGART* | WEDNESDAY, 21st March. |
| *KONIG ALBERT* | WEDNESDAY, 4th April. |
| *WEIMAR* | WEDNESDAY, 18th April. |
| *PREUSSEN* | WEDNESDAY, 2nd May. |
| *HAMBURG*, (Hamburg Amerika Linie) | WEDNESDAY, 16th May. |
| *PRINZ HEINRICH* | WEDNESDAY, 30th May. |

ON WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of December, 1899, at NOON, the Steamship "KONIG ALBERT," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain O. Cüppers, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 11th December, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 12th December.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid Accommdation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1899. [1394a

NEW ROOMS
At Moderate Daily Rates.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

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THE NEW HOME PHONOGRAPH
(GENUINE EDISON) WITH FITTINGS.
PRICE $80.
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

*Ex, S.S. KAMAKURA MARU."*

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A NEW STOCK OF
TRIMMED HATS AND BONNETS.
LATEST PARISIAN AND LONDON FASHIONS,
ALSO A CHOICE SELECTION OF
BALL DRESS TRIMMINGS.
W. POWELL & Co.,
Immediately Opposite P.O., 1st floor.
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## Intimations.

SALES
ACCELERATED by Competition and POPULARITY,
DAILY INCREASING
ON ACCOUNT OF
UNIFORM QUALITY,
AND
PERMANENCY
OF RESULTS.

TERMS FROM
Watkins, Limited,
Sole Consignees,
SCHLITZ BEER. [14

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

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*SOLE AGENTS IN*
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,
FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LD., LONDON,
CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.
*MANUFACTURERS OF THE*
Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.
HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS. of all kinds.
"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.
ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT.....THOMAS SKINNER.
SUPERINTENDENT .....ARCHIBALD RITCHIE.

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PEAK HOTEL
AND
CRAIGIEBURN.

THE PEAK HOTEL is situated at VICTORIA GAP, adjoining the TRAMWAY TERMINUS, 1,350 feet above sea Level.
CRAIGIEBURN is situated at PLUNKETT'S GAP, five minutes walk from the PEAK HOTEL.
Fine Healthy location, variety of beautiful scenery. Cool Southerly breezes in Summer with perfect protection against the North East Winds in Winter.
Well appointed rooms, attentive service and excellent Cuisine.

CITY OFFICE, 7, Duddell Street.
A. MOIR,
Manager.
Hongkong, 31st October, 1899. [28

Telephone 75.

VICHY WATER.
CÉLESTINS.

JUST LANDED,

A FRESH SUPPLY OF
THIS WELL KNOWN AND EXCELLENT WATER.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
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ENGLISH ALES.

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| IND COOPES | per Cask of 8 doz. Pts. ... ... ... ... ... ... | $15 |
| BASS | Do. ... ... ... ... ... ... | $17 |

H. PRICE & Co.,
12, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1899. [20

THE
CLUB HOTEL,
LIMITED.

(:o:)

*No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.*

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.
The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.
Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.
Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [36

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

A GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant, at 12 o'clock (NOON) in the CITY HALL.
The Public are invited to attend.
M. FORBES,
Hon. Sec.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1899. [1504a

THE GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

RECONSTRUCTION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

ALL SHAREHOLDERS in the OLD COMPANY must apply for SHARES in the NEW COMPANY on or before the 15th Day of December, 1899.
Forms of Application can be obtained from the Undersigned.
Dated the 23rd Day of November, 1899.
LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO.,
General Agents.
1465a] 9, Praya Central, Hongkong.

## Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN),
TO-MORROW
(FRIDAY), the 8th December, 1899,
Commencing at 11 A.M.
At the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld., Kowloon.
108 Cases SUNDRY JAPANESE GOODS,
All more or less damaged by Fire and/or Water *ex* s.s. *Poseidon*.
Comprising:—
CURIOS, GLASS BALLS, LACQUERED WARE, LAMPS, INKPOTS, TOOTH-BRUSHES, PORCELAIN PLATES, VASES, TEA CUPS, TEA POTS, WATER BOTTLES, JAPANESE TOYS, HIRANO WATER, &c., &c., &c.
On View at the Place of Sale.
TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.
PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1507a

## Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB
will give
TWO PERFORMANCES
of the
LAUGHABLE FARCE
entitled
"MOTHER-IN-LAW"
IN THREE ACTS
by
TALFOURD TWIGG, ESQ.,
on
THURSDAY, 21st December, 1899,
SATURDAY, 23rd December, 1899
Commencing Each Evening at 9 p.m. precisely.

Dress Circle, $3. Stalls, $2. Pit, $1.
Half-price to Pit for Soldiers, Sailors and Police in Uniform.

Tickets can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, City Hall, on and after MONDAY, 18th December, at 10 a.m.
Booking Office will be Open daily from that date from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Late Trams will run ½ hour after the fall of the curtain.
H. C. NICOLLE,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 4th December, 1899. [1498a

## Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [18

## To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

TWO MORE PERFORMANCES ONLY.

TO-NIGHT
(THURSDAY) AND SATURDAY,
7th and 9th December.

MADAME

KONORAH
THE MODERN WITCH
AND MISTRESS OF MYSTERIES

AND COMPANY OF FIRST CLASS ARTISTS.
CHANGE OF PROGRAMME EACH NIGHT.
GREATER MARVELS, GREATER WONDERS, GREATER SURPRISES. } THAN BEFORE.

Doors open 8.30 P.M. Commence 9 P.M.
PRICES:—Dress Circle and Stalls $2, Pit $1. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Pit $0.50.
Booking Office,—ROBINSON PIANO. Co.
CANTON CLUB THEATRE,
CANTON.
ONE PERFORMANCE ONLY,
TUESDAY, the 12th December.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1487a

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to attend a PRIVATE MEETING to be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th December, 1899, at 12 o'clock, NOON.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. H. GASKELL,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1511a

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1508a

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILOONG,"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 9th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1512a

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"

Captain E. Fey, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 12th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1509a

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"GISELA,"

Captain F. Mosca, will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 16th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1510a

SHEWAN TOMES & CO'S. "NEW YORK" LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ASAMA,"

will be despached for the above Port, on or about the 27th instant.
To be followed by the Steamship
"QUEEN ELEANOR."
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [1447a

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"MAZAGON,"
FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From Persian Gulf, &c., *ex* S.S. *Kilma*.
Goods not cleared by the 13th instant, at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.
*No Fire Insurance* will be effected by me in any case whatever.
All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1899. [5

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" have This Day been removed to No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Second Floor, (the premises formerly occupied by Messrs. POWELL & Co.) to which address all communications should be addressed.
ETH. F. SKERTCHLY,
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1899.

## Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

BRANDIES.

| | Per Case 1 doz. |
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| A.—Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule | $18 |
| B.—Superior Very Old Cognac Red Capsule | $21 |
| C.—Very Old Liqueur Cognac | $24 |
| V.O.—D.—Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule | $36 |
| V.V.O.—E.—Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1862 Vintage | $48 |

All our Brandies are guaranteed to be PURE COGNAC, the differences in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.
*QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.*


BIRTH.

At Pootung, on the 1st December, the wife of ARTHUR WIMBLE, of a daughter.


# The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1899.


## NOTES AND COMMENTS

The Tram to the Peak is a very great convenience and it is being made use of more largely every day, as the number of houses at the Peak is increasing and as the population of the Colony, as a whole, is being steadily augmented. Ladies and children are probably the best customers. Men only use the cars in the morning and in the evening, while the feminine portion of the population and the juveniles are moving up and down all day. The Tram Company must have made very handsome profits during the last two years and at steadily increasing rates. We can hardly expect them yet to construct a second line either to Victoria Gap, or, to some other point on the Peak, although we believe that a little more enterprise in that direction on the part of the Managers of the Company would be found to pay, but the public are in the mean time entitled to somewhat better accommodation on the existing line, considering the rates which they have to pay. The lower Tram Station is in a satisfactory condition, but it is not kept quite as neat and as clean as it ought to be in respect of some of its adjuncts. There seems to be no one in charge of it, and the Water Authority would, probably, if he looked closely find water running to waste somewhere about there. The other stations on the line are not by any means so satisfactory. The Plantation Road Station is, for every second tram, a source of grave discomfort and even of danger to anyone who has to alight there. The line at that point is at a sharp slope and passengers have to cross the other rope and the other rail. The station is not properly lighted and in the dark there is considerable danger of missing one's footing. None of the Stations are roofed over and in wet weather to get in or out is to get wet through. We have no hesitation in saying that the accommodation at intermediate stations on the line is very imperfect and that it is time something was done to improve it. Level stopping places, platforms on both sides, effectual shelter from the rain when entering and leaving the cars and better lighting of the Stations would pay, we believe.

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The case against Li Yuen Fat at the Magistracy is illustrative and suggestive. The man was charged with robbery—stealing by force. He is a Chinese subject resident in Chinese territory in the village of Fo Yeung, on the northern shores of Mirs Bay. Under our Convention with China for a lease of the New Territory the whole of the waters of Mirs Bay are within our territory and subject to our jurisdiction. The shore of the northern side out of the Bay down to high water mark is Chinese. There is a large passenger traffic in launches and a considerable trade in goods from this village to Hongkong. The villagers claim the right to levy a toll on all passengers and goods landing at this village and making use of the wharf there and the boats that bring the people on shore from the launches make a charge of 2 cents each passenger. Instigated apparently by the Captain Superintendent of Police the passengers have refused to pay this toll and the Defendant in the case, in obedience to orders from his master, has been endeavouring to collect it and has, as it appears, made the mistake of going on board the lauhches on their arrival as the simplest method of getting at those who had to pay. Now, if there is one thing more certain than another it is that the Chinese Government or its local representatives have a right to impose and collect such a toll on all persons landing on their shores as they think fit. There is a wharf. It was constructed at some expense. The people who use it for themselves and their goods are Chinese and not Europeans. The imposition, whether wise or foolish, is legitimate. Why should it not be paid? If the Chinese Authorities say that no one shall land there except in local boats and on payment to the local boatmen who can prevent them, or question their right? The place is not an open port. No British subject has any right to land there. The boats once they have touched the shore are on Chinese soil, although the other end of them may be afloat. What right has Mr. May to entertain complaints about these men who are acting within their rights, to arrest them, to bring them over here and imprison them? If they are exceeding their duty the proper course is to complain to their superiors. Mr. May has had to admit before the Police Magistrate that the charge of robbery was unsustainable. Then why was it made?

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The whole affair illustrates the absurdity of the terms of the Convention, hastily patched up between the British Minister at Peking and the Chinese Authorities, for the cession of the New Territory. It is a most carelessly drawn document, prepared without any knowledge of the localities, or of the circumstances, and without an atom of foresight. The whole of the shores of Mirs Bay to, at least, the summits of the hills skirting the Bay should have been included in the original concession, and when the mistake had been corrected by the seizure of Sam-Chun and the surrounding country the territory so taken possession of should never have been given back. We pointed out at the time the Convention was first published the folly of leaving the coast line in the hands of the Chinese and assuming control of the waters of Mirs Bay. What a delectable position it would be, if, in a difficult crisis, there was a French Force in the village of Fo-Yeung and we claimed the right to do as we pleased in the last inch of water skirting the shore on which a boat could float, and the French insisted upon their right to the last inch of the shore. The sea in the immediate vicinity of the land is necessarily the property of the power owning that land and essentially necessary, because without it, the right over the land cannot properly be exercised, and the divorce effected between the two in the Convention of Peking is unnatural and can only lead to constant trouble and confusion. The Fo-Yeung people have a right to collect their toll and landing charges and Mr. May had better tell the people going there to pay without dispute. How would he like Chinese landing here to dispute any right we might claim to levy fees or taxes, on the authority of some Mandarin in a village opposite. The only remedy for the wrong, if wrong there is, is by diplomacy, and we are afraid, as things are, diplomacy won't help him. It cannot help itself at present.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### THE WAR.

#### Natal.

LONDON, December 5th.

The *Times* Correspondent at Frere, 29th November, says that the Boer position is visible from the British advance post at Chievely. The position appears to be a very strong one and difficult for a frontal attack.

#### The Fight at Modder River.

The Boers at Modder River had seven field guns, besides quick firers. The guns, which were splendidly served, principally by French and German gunners, were removed by the Boers in the night, the British force being too much exhausted to be able to pursue its advantage.

LATER.

#### The War.—Mafeking.

Various reports are current that the seige of Mafeking has been abandoned.

#### Ladysmith.

Runners from Ladysmith report "all well" on the 29th November.

#### The Modder River Fight.

General Methuen reports that the Boer losses at Modder River exceeded those of the British and that the morale of the enemy was much shaken.

#### The United States —The President's Message.

President McKinley's message to Congress says that the United States have remained faithful to the principle of avoiding entangling alliance in affairs which do not directly concern herself, and that the country had observed impartiality to Great Britain and the Transvaal. The message refers in the most cordial terms to the relations with Great Britain, Germany and France, declares that it is impossible to renounce authority over the Philippines, and recommends the appointment of a commission to study commercial and industrial possibilities in China.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—

On the 7th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has fallen in the extreme North, and is inclined to rise on the China coast. Pressure is highest over China, and a depression is moving Eastwards in the N. part of the Sea of Japan. The monsoon will probably freshen on the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea. FORECAST:—Moderate or fresh N. winds; *fine*.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MR. H. P. Wilkinson has filed in the Supreme Court at Shanghai an application for the rehearing of the Joly case.

A CORRECTION.

In a paragraph last evening we stated that Madame Konorah would give a performance in Canton on Tuesday next, the 11th inst., this should have read Tuesday, the 12th inst.

WE learn that only one excise officer was killed in the disturbance over at Kowloon, reported in last night's publication. A number of arrests have been made, but the police are expecting difficulties in obtaining satisfactory evidence.

A NEW 12in. gun is about to be introduced into the navy and will form the principal armament of the *Venerable* group. It is 5ft. longer than the present gun, and with a charge of 330lb. of cordite will throw a projectile weighing nearly 1,000lb. to a distance of fifteen miles.

IT is interesting to note that of the reservists summoned to the colours 98·4 per cent. rejoined, and 0·91 per cent. accounted satisfactorily for their absence, leaving 1·05 as failing to report themselves. Of the reservists who rejoined 7·11 per cent. were found unfit for service. The Royal Scots is the only regiment all of whose reservists are accounted for, but there are four regiments in which only one reservist is missing.

THE *Japan Herald* learns that Paymaster M. McDonald, U.S.N., who has been stationed at Yokohama for several years, and who is well-known and very popular in that port, has been transferred to the U. S. Arsenal in Cavite in a similar capacity, to replace a colleague there who has been invalided home. He will be succeeded at Yokohama by Paymaster McLear, U.S.A., on whose arrival Mr. McDonald will leave for his new post.

THE Mother Superior of the Asile de la Sainte Enfance desires us to express her thanks to the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly gave their assistance at the bazaar held in the City Hall. The total sum collected amounted to $1860. We would remind our readers that this very excellent and deserving charity is always in our midst, doing good work without discrimination of race or creed. A small subscription hurts no one and does a deal of good amongst the little ones whom the Sisters succour.

IT will be remembered that quite recently two letters appeared in our columns advocating the playing of cricket matches between the Hongkong Cricket Club and representatives of the Hongkong Schools. We are pleased to say that the Club have responded and a match will be played next Saturday on the Club's grounds, commencing at 11 a.m. Dominus informs us that the effect, even of the challenge, is apparent, using his expression it is "stiffening the scholars."

A CRICKET match has been arranged and will be played between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Combined Schools, on Saturday, the 9th inst., commencing at 11 a.m. sharp. The following will represent the Schools:—(Queen's College) G. A. Woodcock (Capt.), F. H. Kew, F. Silva-netto, R. Pestonji, E. Remedios, H. Hateem, H. P. Madar, and R. Soonderam. (Diocesan School) F. W. Shaw, C. E. Hastings, P. Wilnau, E. Herton, E. S. Ford, R. Lapsley, and C. Benjamin. (Victoria English School) M. E. Asger, A. E. Asger, L. E. Lammert, L. Shillington, J. H. Ruttonjee, R. Basa, and J. L. Stuart.

A BIG cobra that took charge of a Hindu gentleman's kitchen at Tondiarpeft lately caused no little alarm. The reptile seems to have occupied the kitchen in Mr. Coopusawmi Iyer's house for a whole day and night, and nothing could get him to vacate. The alarmed occupants at last went off to the Police Station and requested that somebody would bring a gun to shoot the intruder. Mr. Ryan, the Sub-Inspector of the Division, arrived on the scene, boldly entered the kitchen and despatched the reptile that had coiled itself behind a box. The deed was done, however, with a blow from a stick and not with a gun. The reptile measured 5 feet 6 inches.

THE Konorah Company again gave an interesting entertainment at the Theatre last night. The programme was somewhat varied in the first part. Madame Konorah and Mr. Max-Berol giving some proofs of the possession of remarkable memories, and the latter also giving a further exhibition of conjuring, or sleight of hand, with great skill and neatness of execution. The whole, was concluded by a repetition of the Cabinet trick, the entertainment was evidently appreciated by the audience, the applause in commendation of the cleverness of the performers being frequent and hearty. Two more entertainments will be given by the Company before their departure for Canton. One to-night and the last on Saturday night. We understand that General Gascoigne has secured seats for this evening. The company will give one performance at Canton on Tuesday next, the 12th instant.

## DEATH OF SIR CHARLES MITCHELL.

We greatly regret to have to announce that news has been received of the death of Sir Charles H. B. Mitchell, G.C.M.G., Governor of the Straits Settlements. Sir Charles was appointed Colonial Secretary of British Honduras in July 1868, and administered the government in 1870, 1874, and 1876; was appointed Receiver General of British Guiana in 1877 and Colonial Secretary of Natal in November of the same year, acting as Governor of that Colony in 1881, 1882 and 1885-6; was appointed Governor of Fiji in 1886 and of the Leeward Islands in 1888, but did not take up the latter appointment. In 1889 he administered the Government of Natal and Zululand and was appointed Governor in October of that year. He was appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements in 1893. His unexpected death will come as a blow to his many friends, both in the Straits and the other colonies that have known him.

## SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. There were present:—The President (Dr. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer) who occupied the chair, the Vice President (the Hon. F. H. May, Captain Superintendent of Police), the Hon. R. D. Ormsby (Director of Public Works), Dr. Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. Osborne and Mr. Duggan (Secretary).

The minutes of the previous meeting were passed.

DESTRUCTION OF RATS.

A letter was tabled which the Secretary had received from Dr. Atkinson advising the purchase of 600 rat traps to be distributed through the Colony, as he was convinced that rats were very instrumental in the dessemination of the Plague.

The letter was forwarded to the Medical Officer of Health for his opinion and he replied that any attempt to materially reduce the number of rats in such a City as this would be futile. The attempt had been made in India but had proved impracticable.

They had caught about 1,000 rats during the summer with traps and had distributed pamphlets asking the Chinese to do so but they did not appear to have responded to the appeal.

It would require a number of coolies at $8.00 per month to attend to the traps and that expenditure would have to be sanctioned by the Government. The president, Dr. Atkinson, on receipt of this reply directed the Secretary to forward correspondence for the Col. Secretary's authority to engage the coolies for 3 months. The expenditure was sanctioned.

CREMATION OF HINDOOS.

The Cremation of Hindoos at the Happy Valley having been the cause of complaint a minute was received from the Hon. R. D. Ormsby suggesting that the Hindoo Cemetery should be used for that purpose.

The Medical Officer of Heath replied that the objections to this course were that there was a difference of caste between those who are buried and those who are cremated and also that it would cause a nuisance to the residents at Happy Retreat.

APPLICATION TO KEEP SWINE AND GOATS.

Five applications were received from residents from Fai Hang Village to keep pigs and one from Kennedytown to keep goats; and being favourably reported on by the Inspectors of the Districts were referred to the Board for consideration.

EXEMPTIONS FOR LIME WASHING.

Notice having been given to Mrs. Chun a Yuen of 25, Gage Street, to lime wash those premises, Mr. Ho Tung, her agent, replied that the whole of the house was occupied by Messrs. Abdoolally Ebrahim & Co. and therefore did not come under the act which provided that the houses to be lime washed were those that had more than one family living in them.

Dr. Atkinson, did not accept the interpretation put upon the section by Mr. Ho Tung and the matter was referred to the Board for consideration.

An application was made for the exemption from lime washing of No. 46, Peel Street as the house was about to be pulled down and rebuilt. The application was recommended by the Inspector, and referred to the Board for consideration.

An application was received from the owner of 32 Bonham Strand for an exemption for those premises from limewashing, which was refused, and for not complying with the order issued to him the owner was, yesterday, summoned before Mr. Gompertz and fined $10.

RINDERPEST AT POKFULUM.

A report was received from Mr. C. Vivian Ladds to the effect that Pokfulum Dairy was now free from rinderpest and requesting that the Dairy be officially declared free.

The President instructed the Secretary to withdraw the watchman and refer the matter to the Board.

DESTRUCTION OF INFECTED CATTLE.

A report was received from the Chief Veterinary Surgeon that he had ordered the destruction of six head of cattle at Hung Hom Cattle Depot which were suffering from rinderpest, and for which no compensation could be claimed. In answer to a minute from the Capt. Supt. of Police Mr. Ladds reported the cattle had come from the district of Sham Chan.

The report was referred to the Board for endorsement.

STALLS IN THE CENTRAL MARKET.

The Chief Vet. Surgeon, recommended that Pork Stalls Nos. 179 to 188 in the central market should be filled up as vegetable stalls, in order to utilise the stalls which had been vacant for two or three years, and the matter was referred to the Board for consideration.

HOUSING OF DOGS IN QUARANTINE.

Correspondence was placed on the table with reference to the housing of dogs in quarantine and was referred to the Board for consideration.

MORTALITY RETURNS.

The Mortality return for Macao for the week ended 12th November, 1899 gives the total deaths as 49.

The Mortality rate per 1,000 for Hongkong for the week ending 18.11.99 is 23.0 for the week ending 25.11.99, is 17.0, and for the corresponding week last year 16.9.

The following is a summary of the deaths registed during the week ending 25.11.99—

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| Infantile convulsive diseases | 11 |
| Chest affections | 16 |
| Bowel complaints | 3 |
| Fevers | 17 |
| Plague | 0 |
| Marasmus | 2 |
| Other Causes | 34 |
| Total | 83 |

DEATHS FROM BERI BERI.

Dr. Clark the Medical Officer of Health reported that there had been 164 deaths from Beri Beri during the present year. The average for the past four years had been 144, so that this average had been already exceeded. Deaths he pointed out had occurred in wide as well as in narrow streets, in new as well as in old houses, whilst in no case had two deaths occurred in one house. The report was circulated amongst the members of the Board.

A SANITATION TRUST.

The Secretary laid on the table a notice from the Captain Superintendent of Police that at the next meeting of the Board he would move that a Sub-Committee of the Board be appointed consisting of the Medical Officer of Health, Mr. Edward Osborne and one other member to be nominated by the President, to consider and submit recommendations for the formation by Government of a Trust to be endowed with a percentage of the assessed Taxes, and of the premia on Land Sales, and with suitable waste lands, or otherwise, and to be charged with the duty and invested with the power of carrying out sanitary improvements in the City of Victoria, especially in the matter of the abolition of insanitary areas, and of overcrowding.

Twenty-three presbyteries and 111 seasons of the U.P. Church of Scotland, against only six presbyteries and 29 seasons, have voted in favour of immediate liberty being allowed in the church as regards marriage with a deceased wife's sister.

## INSTALLATION BANQUET OF THE NAVAL AND MILITARY LODGE.

Last night a Banquet was given by the brethern of the Naval and Military Lodge at the Masonic Hall on the occasion of the installation of the R. W. M. Bro. H. Horley, by R. W. Bro. Chater and Officers of the District Grand Lodge. The Hall was very tastefully decorated with festoons of flowers and draped flags of the British Empire, the Royal Standard occupying a place of honour in the East.

The following are the officers for the year 1900:—Right Worshipful Master:—Wor. Bro. H. Horley. Immediate Past Master:—Worshipful Brother G. Wilson. Deputy Master:—Wor. Bro. F. Howell. Substitute Master:—Wor. Bro. J. I. Andrew. Wor. Senior Warden:—Bro. W. H. Sidwell. Treasurer:—Bro. W. H. E. Smith. Senior Deacon:—Bro. C. F. A. Bowley. Organist:—Bro. L. Shillington. Inner Guard:—Bro. H. H. Rann. Wor. junior Warden:—Bro. J. H. Ross. Secretary:—Bro. J. Patterson. Junior Deacon:—Bro. J. Nicholls. Director of Ceremonies:—Bro. G. A. Mackie. Steward:—Bro. G. A. Seymore. Tyler:—Bro. B. Jorus.

MENU.

HORS D'OEUVRES.
Welsh Rarebit. Radishes.
SOUP.
Oxtail. Fish.
FISH.
Boiled Garoupa and Shrimp Sauce.
ENTREES.
Lamb Cutlets and Green Peas
Braised Teal.
Sausage Meat in Aspic Jelly.
Chicken Salad. Game Pie.
RELEVES.
Boiled Yorkshire Ham.
Boiled Leg of Mutton and Caper Sauce.
SALAD.
Jardiniere.
ROAST.
Turkey and Cranberry Sauce.
Pheasant and Bread Sauce.
Sirloin of Beef and Horseradish.
VEGETABLES.
Boiled Cauliflowers. French Beans.
Boiled Potatoes. Roast Potatoes.
SWEETS.
Vanilla Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.
Plum Pudding and Wine Sauce.
Cherry Pie. Assorted Cakes.
Cheese and Crackers. Fruits in Season.
Tea and Coffee.

TOASTS OF THE EVENING.

| | Proposer. |
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| The Queen-Empress and the Craft | R.W.M. |
| H.R.H. The Prince of Wales | R.W.M. |
| The M.W.G.M. and Officers of the Grand Lodge of Scotland | Wor. Bro. Andrews. |
| The District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China | Wor. Bro. Howell. |
| Sister Lodges and Vistors | R.W.M. |
| The Newly Installed Master | Wor. Bro. Spafford. |
| Wives, Sisters, Daughters, and Sweethearts of Masons | S.W. |
| All Absent Brethren | R.W.M. |
| All Poor and Distressed Masons | Tyler. |

## THE LAMMA PIRACY.

This afternoon at the Magistracy, Chan San, Lai Lok, Cheung Cheung, Lai King, all of Hoi Fung were charged that they feloniously, being armed with an offensive weapon did assault one Lam Kim, master of a junk, and 4 others Lam Hing Leung Lin, Chun Kwan and Chan Tung, seamen, and rob them of 20 pieces of clothing, 1 bag of flour, 1 chopper, 1 metal pipe, 3 umbrellas, 2 rolls of cloth, 1 package of medecine, 4 quills $17.00 in money, total value $47.00, on board the *Kin Li* Junk on the 25th ult. in the waters of this Colony.

The first defendant was also charged that unlawfully did shoot one Chan Tung with intent to do him grievous bodily harm on board the *Kin Li* Junk on the 25th ult. in the waters of this Colony.

Mr. Bowley (Acting Crown Solicitor) appeared for the prosecution and asked that the charge might be amended by adding the further charge of piracy and wounding a person on board the vessel, he being willing to prove that the alleged act was committed on the high sea.

Cham Tung, the man who was shot, was the first witness called, and not being yet very strong was allowed a chair. He said he was a native of Ping-hoi, a district on the coast between Hongkong and Swatow; he was steersman of the *Kin Li* junk; Lam Kim is the owner and master of the junk. The junk has two masts and can carry over a hundred piculs of cargo. He was engaged early this year; since his engement the junk has been in the salt and produce trade between Hongkong and Ping-hoi. Bringing back no cargo; with variable wind the voyage takes one day. He could remember the Saturday before last; he was sailing out of Hungham early in the morning about daylight (November 25th) for Ping-hoi. They were rowing as there was no wind that morning, they went through the Lyemun pass taking on some sand there for ballast, after passing through the straits they still used the oars, there were five Chinese sailors on board; Lam Hing was the master's newphew, the master was not on board. Ah Kwan was steering after they passed Lyemun, witness was rowing, along with the other sailors. They rowed past the south point of Fataushan, where the custom house used to be, and came out of the Lyemun pass in a S. Easterly direction and changed the course East when by the temple. He knew the light house opposite Fataushan, on passing which he turned towards the East.

His Worship asked if it was alleged that the robbery was done within territorial waters, Mr. Bowley said it was within territorial waters but on the high sea that meaning waters in which big ships went.

Witness proceeding said when past Fataushan they met a small boat the men in the boat called on them to stop rowing. The boat came from the south; it was a very small fishing boat without masts and carrying five men. The boat came alongside about 9 in the morning. He could not recognise the men; when alongside they told the junk men to go down into the hold; just as they were going into the hold some one fired and witness was hit and became senseless. He was hit on the right thigh and since this time he has been in hospital, the bullet being taking out of his leg yesterday by the doctor. "The doctors are very clever." He could not tell what the men did on board as he was senseless; when he recovered consciousness he was was at Shaukiwan, this was the same day at 11 a.m. He had only seen the defendants at the Police station. He had lost some property out of the boat; he recognised the pipe and umbrellas, produced, as his, they were on board the junk before he was shot, and are his property. He being told to buy them for a friend.

Case proceeding.

"By Jove, Mr. Billion's will has been probated and he's left every penny of his money to the orphans," said Jones. "What? And left those three children of his penniless?" cried Mrs. Jones. "No, my dear; of course not. They are the orphans," Jones replied.

## SUICIDE OF SERGT. HEALY.

We give the conclusion of the inquest held yesterday before Mr. Gompertz and a special jury, at the Magistracy yesterday.

Gunner Fox, R.A., said he was employed as storekeeper; his duty was to keep the carbines in the room clean; they belonged to various people. He was sure there was not any carbine ammunition in the room. He could not think where deceased got the cartridge from.

Corporal Keeper, R.A., said he remembered the 25th ulto.; on that day at about 10 minutes to 12 he had been put in charge of Sergt. Healy, by order of B. S. M. Power. He put his prisoner into Gunner Fox's room and asked him what he had been doing, but could not understand what he said. He went to the door to speak to Q. M. S. Clarke and was asking him about some bedding when he heard the shot fired. On entering the room again he found deceased sitting on the bed with his back towards him. He noticed some blood running on the floor under the bed. Q. M. S. Clarke told him to send for the doctor, the Sergeant-Major and an ambulance. Deceased had been in very bad health and had lately been in hospital several times.

Captain Bewley, R. A. M. C., said he had been called to see Sergt. Healy between 10 minutes to and quarter past 12 on the morning of the 25th ultimo. He found him sitting on his bed with his head on his right shoulder. A carbine, similar to the one produced, was lying with its butt between deceased's feet, the muzzle had fallen away from him and was lying on a box close by. The cartridge was still in the breech. He did not examine the body as he had been told not to disturb it. Deceased had been in Hospital lately with a sprained ankle.

Detective-Sergt. Collett said that, accompanied by Lce Sergt. Murison, from information received, he went to Victoria Barracks about ten minutes to one on the 25th ultimo. He saw Sergt. Healy sitting on a bed in the non-commissioned officers' room. Witness described the deceased's position on the bed and said his mouth was slightly open and there was a wound on the top of his head, he evidently had shot himself through the mouth. There was a pool of blood and a carbine on the floor in front of deceased. He examined the carbine and found the discharged cartridge in the breech, he also found three other carbines in the room; they were perfectly clean. He thoroughly searched the room but could only find some sporting ammunition. He removed the body to the Central Police Station, it was afterwards taken to the Public Mortuary.

Dr. Atkinson said he had made a post-mortem examination and found a bullet wound in the skull, it having entered the roof of the mouth and passed out at the top of the skull. The cause of death was the passing through the brain.

The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence and said the act was done while deceased was suffering from temporary insanitary.

## FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE IN CHINESE CIRCLES.

Many people must have noticed the grand processions that have been passing through the main streets the last two or three days, few, however, will be aware that these processions are in connection with the marriage of the daughter of the Hon. Wai Yuk.

The day before yesterday the bride's presents went from Mr. Wai Yuk's house in Wyndham Street to her future abode, and a very goodly show they were, composed of many European articles, such as a washhand stand, wardrobe, blankets and blackwood furniture, beside plenty of Chinese articles, the use of which we were not able to fathom.

To-day, however, was the great day on which the bride is taken to her home and a grand procession it was, nearly 200 yards in length, consisting of banners, eatables carried on chairs, men dressed as mandarins, and young girls riding on horseback and the usual long Chinese representations. At the house of the bridegroom, oh! we had forgotten him, but he, in such cases, is not of much importance, is a wealthy Cantonese gentleman, there will great feasting and rejoicing; the relations on both sides being invited to wish the happy pair long life, prosperity and plenty of connecting links between the happy man and his better half.

## FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB *v.* H.M.S. "ENDYMION."

Yesterday afternoon at the Happy Valley lovers of Football were treated to two good games, both well contested and both, more or less, of an educational kind, the "A" team of the Hongkong Club including one or two of the first team who, besides being a tower of strength to their own side, were enabled to give their less advanced comrades some very useful wrinkles in the game, showing them how it ought to be played. Besides the members themselves playing, among the spectator were some past-masters in the game who no doubt will give the players the benefit of their observations. The Hongkong Club played on its own ground, the whistle blowing for the kick off a few minutes after the advertised time. Mr. Brown, the Club's energetic secretary, acted as Referee, but not once was "hands" or a "foul" claimed by either side.

The players formed up as under:—

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

*Goal.*
D. Wood.
*Backs.*
Hay. Pinckney.
*Half Backs.*
Hornby. Jenkins. Pemberton.
*Forwards.*
Wild. Rupprecht. Williamson.
Deacon. Howard.

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*Forwards.*
Fanshaw. Brownery. Thurstan.
Franklyn. Venning.
*Half Backs.*
Comdr. Borthby. Kinch. Robinson.
*Backs.*
Wright. Bayly.
*Goal.*
McClure.

H.M.S. "ENDYMION."

As we said above, the sides were well matched the Hongkongites being rather the heavier, but what the sailors lacked in weight they made up in toughness and as is usual with naval players put their whole heart into the game, some of them however were rather young especially Fanshaw, a wee nipper, who looked no more than fifteen at the outside. But still it did the spectators good to see him charge his opponents, not always unsuccessfully either, though fortunately for him he was on the opposite side of the field to Pinckney, or else we should have been afraid of the consequences, for he would certainly have tackled Penckney himself if called upon. We were pleased to see the interest taken in the game by Comdr. Boothby, a veteran amongst his followers, and well known amongst Hongkong Rugby players. The game was decidedly an up and down one, the Club having the best of it, although the navy certainly were the better at combination, the half backs of their opponents preventing them from scoring. Only one goal was obtained just before half time, and that was for the Club, by Howard who, after the ball had been neatly centred from the right wing was fairly rushed past the naval goal keeper.

During the second half of the game neither side scored, there being nothing of interest to record except an amusing acrobatic feat performed by Jenkins, who when he had been knocked down, and was still lying on the ground, seeing the ball close to his feet, picked it up between his legs and turned head over heels, landing the ball some few yards nearer his opponent's goal. The game terminated in a win for the Hongkong Club team by one goal to *nil*.

V. R. C. *v.* "H." CO. R.W.F.

This match was also played yesterday afternoon on the Happy Valley. The soldiers being able to put in a very strong team, while the V. R. C. were unfortunate in having to put four substitutes, R.A. men, on the field. They however, played well and only suffered defeat by one goal to *nil*.

"H." CO., R.W.F.
*Goal.*
Johnson.
*Backs.*
Smart. Edwards.
*Half Backs.*
Dewhurst. Waller. Edwards.
*Forwards.*
Edwards. Povery. Parry. Shiels. Sweet.

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*Forwards.*
Gidley. Henderson. Yule. Sub. Williams.
*Half Backs.*
Sub. Craig. Sub.
*Backs.*
Brett. Cameron.
*Goal.*
Sub.
V. R. C.

The goal for the R.W.F. was scored by a well directed shot from Shiels who was a considerable distance on the right front of the goal.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

GENERAL.

The Corps will Parade at Head-Quarters at 2 p.m. *sharp*, on Saturday, 9th inst, to take part with remainder of Garrison in Tactical Exercises. The Commandant trusts that there be a very full muster of all ranks.

Uniform:—Field Battery, Khaki Drill, Helmets, Putties and Side Arms (no carbines).

'A' M. G. Co.—Khaki Drill, Helmets, Putties, slung Carbines, and Side Arms and 30 rounds blank ammunition per man.

'B' 'C' 'D' and 'E'—Khaki Drill, Helmets, Putties, Carbines or Rifles, (no side arms), and 30 rounds blank ammunition per man. Signallers to attend.

## THE IMPERIAL COMMISSIONER OF THE YANGTZE.

News has been received from Peking that Li Ping-hêng, the ex-Governor of Shantung, has been appointed Imperial High Commissioner of the Yangtze, and that, on the 22nd ultimo, he had returned thanks for the high honour conferred on him. The disregard of the enmity of powerful Manchu nobles and officials with which Li Ping-hêng performed his duties recently as Investigating High Commissioner in Lower Manchuria, is said to have aroused the confidence of the Empress Dowager, and her first intention was to appoint him Governor of Shansi for which purpose she deposed the unlucky Hu Ping-chih without assigning any open reason for her action. This, as we have on a previous occasion stated, was frustrated by the opposition of the British *Chargé d'Affaires*, Mr. Bax Ironside. This rather disconcerted the Empress Dowager; but she was determined to find some fitting post for her *protégé* to show the country her appreciation of such a man, and sought for advice from both Prince Ching and Jung Lu, but these becoming alarmed and jealous at the sudden appearance of a new favourite, declined to assist her in making a choice. As a matter of fact, the Empress Dowager in her admiration of Li wished to create some important post for him, and at one time intended to retain him as a special confidant and adviser. Of course this suited Prince Ching and Jung Lu still less. Like Kang Yi, the cliques represented by Prince Ching and Jung Lu did not desire to have Li Ping-hêng in the Capital and too near the Empress Dowager, and so one of them suggested the Imperial Commissionership of the Yangtze as a fitting post for the new favourite. The Empress Dowager seized on the idea, it being a unique post and only held once before in this dynasty, namely, by P'êng Yü-lin of Taiping Rebellion fame, whose courage, honesty, and fidelity to the Throne obtained for him the title of the "Iron-headed" Admiral of the Yangtze. The jurisdiction of the Imperial High Commissioner of the Yangtze stretches over the waterways of five provinces, namely, Kiangsu, Kiangsi, Anhui, Hunan, and Hupeh, and by virtue of his title he is equal in rank to and independent of the Viceroys and Governors of the provinces named above. He has, moreover, the enormous power of executing misdemeanants first and reporting the matter afterwards to the Throne, making himself responsible to no man except the Emperor above him. In the nature of things, the power of the High Commissioner frequently clashes with the territorial rights of the provinces concerned. When P'êng Yü-lin, the "Iron-headed," held the post, he also was Commander-in-Chief of the naval forces of the five provinces which Li Ping Hêng, will probably not be, as the present holder is Huang Chan-ch'un who has the rank of a *Kung-pao* or as it is translated now, "Marshal." Li, however, will be Marshal Huang's immediate chief and in this capacity can have all the military backing he may wish to call for in an emergency, without having recourse to the Viceroys and Governors concerned. This appointment also came at a time when much was being said about "spheres of influence," especially the British sphere of influence in the Yangtze Valley, and it just suited the Empress Dowager to place her *protégé* in the Yangtze provinces to watch over her interest there, and the actions of the Viceroys and Governors, the British and other foreign officials in that portion of the Empire. The only drawback to this revival of the old post is that Li Ping Hêng holds such peculiar ideas and conservative views—he is thoroughly honest and clean-handed and may make things decidedly unpleasant for Chinese officials, such as Viceroys Chang Chih-tung and Liu K'un-yi, who entertain broader and more advanced views. With almost arbitrary powers over these five provinces it can easily be seen that Li Ping-Hêng will be able to cause unpleasantness through a territory ten times the extent of his former Governorship. He is, however, said to be afflicted with chronic rheumatism in both legs which may result in paralysis, and this was the excuse he made in declining his new appointment when it was offered him. But he had to accept at last for the Empress Dowager wrote a remonstrance with her own hand calling upon his loyalty and patriotism to do his duty. It may be, therefore, that we shall see Li Ping-hêng here, *en route* for Nanking, before the closing of the Peiho River at Tientsin. —*N. C. D. News.*

## AFFAIRS IN PEKING.

Our northern contemporary, the *Peking and Tientsin Times*, in an editorial note says:—

According to native reports there appears to be a good deal of movement going on below the surface of affairs in Peking just now. A wordless tug-of-war among rival officials and rival Powers which is none the less real because it is voiceless. Great Britain's preoccupation is offering other Powers an excellent opportunity to work the oracle with China and with each other, and if the local representatives of certain Powers could have their way, a strong combination would instantly ensue. But happily, whatever is done in China has an antidote in European politics, and tempting visions conjured up here are not necessarily bound to be authorized at home, and we do not therefore, attach much importance to any crude attempts at combination between the oils and vinegars of political circles. It is very much more interesting to watch the struggle going on in the Chinese Government. The greatest activity has been noticable in military circles, and if report speaks truly, Jung Lu and his generals have been holding repeated secret conclaves with the Empress Dowager, audiences at which the Emperor has not been present; but as to the precise nature of the conferences we can learn nothing. Contrary to custom the the Palace walls have divulged nothing of these conclaves, and we are left to conjecture mildly whether they portend a valliant effort to sweep all foreigners, irrespective of nationality into the sea, (a pet ambition of Jung Lu's) or a well thought out excuse to take shelter under some one national wing. We think we may safely dismiss the idea that a fresh Russian scare is on the cards, as Japan seems in far too strong a position just now to sanction this, though the question of admitting Japanese influence in military matters might have some probability. Prince Ching and Jung Lu have by all accounts buried the hatchet for the time-being, and we are bound to believe if this is so that the motive is a strong and urgent one. Japan might again represent the objective, as at the outset she was said to prove one of the rocks on which they split. But we can only wait and see.

## THE MURDER OF THE QUEEN OF KOREA.

ALLEGED CONFESSION.

A Seoul dispatch to the *Tokio Nichi Nichi* announces that Li Sho-retsu, who was concerned in the *coup d'état* in which the Queen of Korea was murdered, was arrested recently, and is now under examination. The prisoner is said to have confessed the names of those who were implicated in the murder of the Queen, and the authorities of the Imperial Household are taking steps to retry some of those formerly arrested.

The foreign representatives in Seoul, it is added, view the matter with complete indifference. They are aware, of cour e, how these "confessions" are obtained.

## THE PLAGUE AT KOBE.

ANOTHER CERTAIN CASE AND ONE SUSPECTED.

KOBE, November 28th.

We regret to say that another case of plague has been reported in Kobe. The name of the patient is Yamada Manzo, 36 years of age, in the employ of, and residing at, an ice-store a little west of the N.Y.K. office on the Native Bund. The man has been ill since the 21st inst., but did not consult a doctor until the 25th. Suspicious symptoms being present, the doctor reported the case, and on Dr. Kitasato with others examining the patient, the case was definitely declared one of plague and the man removed to the Infectious Diseases Hospital. The house, with 72 others near by, has been isolated, one or two streets being closed. The N.Y.K. office is not included, however, in the district isolated, and the detached palace at Bentennohama has just escaped. It is considered a somewhat serious case, as the man must have been suffering from the disease for some days before it was discovered.

Another case of suspected plague was discovered on Sunday. A child 9 years old, son of the watchman of the tea-firing godown at No. 119 Ito-machi in the former Settlement (east end) has been ill from the 21st inst, and a doctor was consulted on Sunday for the first time. The symptoms being very suspicious, the patient was immediately sent to the hospital and the house and premises were thoroughly disinfected. The premises and a certain radius have been isolated, but no dwelling-houses or offices are included, only godowns. Another child in the same family, 7 years of age, was also found to be ill with fever, and has been sent to the house of isolation in the Infectious Diseases Hospital.

We have been asked to state with reference to the above case that Dr. Kitasato, the eminenent bacteriologist, has made an examination of the patient and states that it is very doubtful if the case is one of plague. He hopes to be able to state definitely on his next examination that it is a case of ordinary fever.

A notice has been issued by the Mayor, offering 2 sen each for all rats caught in the city of Kobe east of the Minatogawa.

The suspected case of plague at Moji has now been pronounced to be acute inflammation of the lungs.—*Chronicle.*

## TOKYO JOTTINGS.

TOKYO, November 23rd.

The Nara Prefectural Assembly has passed a resolution to pay 2 *sen* for each rat killed in the prefecture and brought to the Council for inspection:

A Peking telegram received by Government says that the Chinese authorities have consented to pay, as damages, the sum of Y.1,500 each to Mr. Matsumo (clerk) and Mr. Yoshida (police-sergeant) and Y.850 to each of the Japanese residents wounded in the recent riots at Tiger Hill, Amoy.

The Inzan gold-mine, the charter for working which has been granted to Messrs. Morgan and Hay, British subjects, is reputed to be one of the richest gold-mines in Korea. A provisionary agreement with the Korean Government, signed in September last year, stated that within a certain specified time the concessionnaires were to locate a spot 60 *ri* by 40 *ri*, failing which the grant would be withdrawn. In other words, the Korean authorities reserved to themselves the right to grant concessions in the same mining district to other foreigners without discrimination as to any particular spot. There are several mines in Korea, for working which applications are continually pouring in.

Up to last month the sum of Yen 45,310, covered by cheques, has been presented for payment, and the payers failing, the banks concerned made known the fact to each other. One hundred and twenty-six men are involved in this sum, which, being divided gives each man his share of Yen 358. This paltry sum they refuse to pay. Since the beginning of this month 26 more defaulters are reported, the sum involved being Yen 11,089. It is anticipated that as the year approaches its close, more defaulters will be reported.

The Editor of the *Shin Hokuriku Shimbun* has been sentenced to a fine of Yen 40 and major confinement for six months for libelling Colonel Sakai, Chief of the 7th Infantry Regiment. The editor in question is a dummy one whose occupation it is to go to gaol.

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The salaries of the common school teachers will be increased by Yen 100,000, for which an appropriation has been asked by the Educational Department. Altogether the expenditure of the department for the coming fiscal year is estimated at Yen 6,000,000.—*Nagasaki Press* Cor.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

Captain T. Ogata, of the steamship *Maidzuru Maru*, from Swatow, reports:—Fine weather with gentle breeze and smooth sea.

Captain C. J. Mattock, of the steamship *Amara*, from Shanghai, *viâ* Swatow, reports:—Moderate monsoon and fine weather throughout.

Captain C. C. Koch, of the steamship *Airlie*, from Sydney, &c., reports:—Leaving Sydney on the 11th ulto., Brisbane 14th, Townsville 17th, Cairns 18th, Thursday Island 20th, Port Darwin 25th, Manila 4th inst., arriving in Hongkong this morning. Moderate southerly winds with fine weather and smooth sea were experienced till arrival in Townsville, thence to Thursday Island moderate N.W. winds with occasional rain but fine throughout, from Thursday Island variable winds with moderate sea till arrival at Manila, thence to arrival moderate N.E. winds with moderate sea and fine weather.

## NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

DECEMBER.

*Meteorological means and on fifteen years' observations to 1898.*

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|---|---|
| Barometer | 30.181 |
| Thermometer | 62.4 |
| Humidity | 64 |
| Rainfall | 0.985 |

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

| | Observation 8 a.m. | Observation 4 p.m. |
|---|---|---|
| Barometer | 30.15 | 30.05 |
| Temperature | 69 | 66 |
| Humidity | 50 | 67 |
| Rainfall | | |

TO-DAY.

Thursday, 7th December, 1899.

Chinese—*5th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kwang-su.*

Sun—*Rises* ..... *6hr. 25min.*
*Sets* ..... *5hr. 40min.*
Moon—*In Perigee 2hr. p.m.*
High water—*Afternoon* ..... *1hr. 2min.*
*Afternoon* ..... *11hr. 27min.*
Low water—*Morning* ..... *6hr. 13min.*
*Afternoon* ..... *4hr. 38min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1815—Marshal Ney shot.
1842—European factories at Canton destroyed by a mob.

TO-MORROW.

Friday, 8th December, 1899.

Chinese—*6th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kwang-su.*

Sun—*Rises* ..... *6hr. 28min.*
*Sets* ..... *5hr. 40min.*
High water—*Afternoon* ..... *none*
*Afternoon* ..... *1hr. 59min.*
Low water—*Morning* ..... *7hr. 3min.*
*Afternoon* ..... *5hr. 39min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1841—Hongkong first saluted, by the French Frigate *Erigone*.
1861—Eruption of Vesuvius; Torre del Greco with 20,000 inhabitants destroyed.
1892—Steamer *Zambesi* and *Hokuman Maru* collided near Yokohama; one life lost.
1893—Terrible fire at Chinese fête at Ningpo, over 200 lives lost.
1897—Suicide of Capt. Waddilove at Yokohama.
1898—S.S. *Abana* wrecked near Labuan.

## AGENDA.

TO-DAY.

9 p.m.—Performance by Madame Konorah at City Hall.
Cargo ex *Prinz Heinrich* subject to rent.

TO-MORROW.

11 a.m.—Auction sale of Japanese goods, etc. ex s.s. *Poseidon* at Kowloon godowns.
4 p.m.—E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Australian* leaves for Sydney and Melbourne.
About 4 p.m.—Polo Match (Gillies Cup)—Walwyn *v.* Winner of No. 2.

SATURDAY, 9th.

Noon.—T. K. K. steamer *Hongkong Maru* leaves for San Francisco.
Noon.—P. & O. steamer *Clyde* with English mails leaves for London.
Afternoon.—H.K. Volunteers take part in Tactical Exercises.
4 p.m.—Cargo ex *Benalder* subject to rent.
4 p.m.—Football—H.K.F.C. *v.* H.K. Engineers C. at Causeway Bay.
4.15 p.m.—Football, Shield Tie—"D" Coy R.W.F. *v.* "H" Coy R.W.F.
9 p.m.—Last Performance by Madame Konorah at City Hall.

TUESDAY, 12th.

Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Idomeneus* leaves for London.

WEDNESDAY, 13th.

Imperial German Mail Line steamer *Konig Albert* for Hamburg.

H.K.V.C. ORDERS.

6 p.m.—"E" Co., Company Drill at Head-quarters.

THURSDAY, 14th.

P. & O. steamer *Japan* leaves for London.
3 p.m.—Meeting of the Legislative Council.
4 p.m.—N. Y. K. steamer *Riojun Maru* leaves for Victoria B.C.

## SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

American (*China*) 9th inst.
English (*Parramatta*) 9th inst.
Indian (*Suisang*) 12th inst.
German (*Konig Albert*) 12th inst.
German (*Preussen*) 13th inst.
Australian (*Taiyuan*) 13th inst.
American (*Doric*) 14th inst.
American (*Nippon Maru*) 23rd inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 25th inst.

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The Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *Gisela* left Singapore for this port to-day.

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The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Dadanus* left Singapore this morning and is due in Hongkong on 13th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *China* with mails &c, left Shanghai for this port yesterday Wednesday the 6th instant at 10 p.m.

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The steamer *Hakata Maru* (European Line) left Kobe *viâ* Moji for this port 6th instant and is expected to arrive here on the 13th instant.

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The Glen Line steamer *Glenbehy* from Middlesbro Antwerp and London left Singapore on the 6th inst. and is due here on the 12th inst.

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The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Doric* with mails &c. from San Francisco to the 17th ulto. *viâ* Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port *viâ* Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, this morning the 7th inst.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

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| *Isla de Cuba* | at | Kowloon | Dock. |
| *Isla de Luzon* | " | " | " |
| *Simla* | " | " | " |
| *H.I.G.M.S. Hertha* | " | " | " |
| *Rohilla* | " | " | " |
| *Empress of China* | " | " | " |
| *Clara* | " | " | " |
| *H.M.S. Whiting* | " | " | " |
| *U.S. Iris* | " | " | " |
| *Poyan* | " | " | " |
| *D. Juan d'Austria* | " | Cosmopolitan | " |
| *Holstein* | " | " | " |

PASSED THE CANAL.

Outward—10th November—*Siam, Tosa Maru*. 14th November—*Wittingburg, Bombay Whitehall*. 17th November—*Glenfarg, Bengloe, Silesia, Dardanus, Ness, Annam*. 21st November—*Antenor, Preussen, Bedouin, Bergenhus*. 24th November—*Merionethshire*. 28th November—*Caledonien, Alderney, Hitachi Maru, Holsatia, Romney, Thordis*. 1st December—*Salazie*.

Homeward—1st December—*Bayern, Java, Marie Valerie, Orestes, Tonkin*.

## Shipping.

Arrivals.

TRIUMPH, German steamer, 673, A. Rieke, 6th Dec.,—Haiphong and Hoihow 5th Dec., General.—Jebsen & Co.

MAZAGON, British steamer, 3,379, R. T. L. Cook, R.N.R., 7th Dec.,—Singapore 28th Nov., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

AIRLIE, British steamer, 2,500, C. C. Koch, 7th Dec.,—Sydney 11th Nov., Brisbane 14th, Townsville 17th, Cairns 18th, Thursday Island 22nd, Port Darwin 25th, and Manila 4th Dec., General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

TAISANG, British steamer, 1,544, W. E. Sawer, 7th Dec.,—Canton 6th Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HANGCHOW, British steamer, 999, Pearce, 7th Dec.,—Canton 6th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

KIANGNAN, Chinese steamer, 1,347, Bissander, 7th Dec.,—Canton 6th Dec., General.—Kwong Man Woo.

CLYDE, British steamer, 2,198, C. T. Denny, R.N.R., 7th Dec.,—Shanghai 5th Dec., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

AMARA, British steamer, 1,705, C. J. Mattock, 7th Dec.,—Shanghai 2nd Dec., and Swatow 6th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MAIDZURU MARU, Japanese steamer, 667, T. Ogata, 7th Dec.,—Swatow 6th Dec., General.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

*Progress*, Russian str., for Vladivostock.
*Zaveena*, British str., for Saigon.
*Chowtai*, British str., for Swatow.
*Ingraban*, German str., for Kobe.
*Pak Kong*, British str., for Canton.
*Kong Beng*, British str., for Haiphong.
*Australian*, British str., for Macao.
*Hangchow*, British str., for Shanghai.
*Karhidate Maru*, Japanese str., for Karatsu.
*Chunshan*, British str., for Singapore.
*Amara*, British str., for Canton.
*Kiangnan*, Chinese str., for Chinkiang.
*Kwai Lun*, British steam-launch, for Macao.

Departures.

Dec. 7, *Chunshan*, British str., for Singapore.
Dec. 7, *Kong Beng*, British str., for Haiphong.
Dec. 7, *Haihao*, French str., for Pakhoi.
Dec. 7, *Taksang*, British str., for Bangkok.
Dec. 7, *Kyoto Maru*, Japanese str., for Kobe.
Dec. 7, *Chowtai*, British str., for Swatow.
Dec. 7, *Kwanglee*, Chinese str., for Canton.
Dec. 7, *Progress*, Russian str., for Vladivostock.
Dec. 7, *Ingraban*, German str., for Kobe.
Dec. 7, *Hangchow*, British str., for Shanghai.

Passengers—Arrived.

Per *Amara*, from Shanghai, &c.—Messrs. Neilson, Close, Miss Hasses, and 81 Chinese.

Per *Clyde*, from Shanghai for Marseilles—Messrs. G. H. O. Bax Ironsides, A. Bongiamino and E. Coglislo. For Bombay—Mrs. M. H. Nicolson. For Singapore—Mr. G. L. Grattan. For Hongkong—Messrs. C. N. Milliken, T. W. Ogilvy, Walker, E. F. Gros, A. Siegfried, Barth, H. E. Wood, E. H. Borch, F. Spear, Dr. Little, Mr. E. A. Hewitt, 1 Sikh, and 2 Chinese.

Per *Airlie*, from Australian Ports—Messrs. J. W. Newberry, H. W. H. Stevens, McKenzie, J. King, J. Law, Johnson, Comdr. C. J. Eyers, R.N., and servant, Mr. and Mrs. Mentz, Mr. and Mrs. Gruenhagen, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman, Miss Coleman, Mrs. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. W. Balch, Messrs. E. L. Mentz, J. Charterworth, H. Taylor, C. R. Rusby, E. E. White and servant, and 86 Chinese.

Per *Maidzuru Maru*, from Swatow—106 Chinese, and 1 Japanese.

Departed.

Per *Diamante*, for Manila—Messrs. C. F. Davis, J. Armstrong, N. Jensen, Carmare and son, W. Sternberg, C. Struckmann, Miss Kront, Mrs. Bevan, E. B. Russell, Bishop Potter, Rev. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Messrs. J. F. Perkins, H. H. Shaw, R. G. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. J. Putnam, Messrs. E. Iselim, D. P. Baldwin, J. P. Cruar, Miss Rosario and 2 servants, S. Gdanskz, S. Tasaki, T. Sudzuki, and 10 Chinese

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

| *Names.* | *From.* | *Due.* |
|---|---|---|
| Riojun Maru | Kobe | To-morrow |
| Afridi | Manila | To-morrow |
| Macduff | Singapore | To-morrow |
| Parramatta | Singapore | Dec. 9th |
| China | Shanghai | Dec. 9th |
| Tosa Maru | Singapore | Dec. 11th |
| Suisang | Singapore | Dec. 12th |
| Konig Albert | Kobe | Dec. 12th |
| Preussen | Singapore | Dec. 13th |
| Taiyuan | Port Darwin | Dec. 13th |
| Doric | Japan | Dec. 14th |
| Kagoshima Maru | Bombay | Dec. 18th |
| Nippon Maru | San Francisco | Dec. 23rd |
| Empress of China | Vancouver | Dec. 25th |

We would direct the attention of shipping firms to the style in which "Steamers Expected" and "Projected Sailings" are now published in these columns, and in so doing respectfully urge the managers of shipping firms to give orders to their clerks to furnish this office, on the forms already supplied gratis with the latest available information every day.

PROJECTED SAILINGS.

| *Ship.* | *Distination.* | *Date.* |
|---|---|---|
| Abergeldie | Portland, &c. | Jan. 27th |
| Ambria | Havre, &c. | Jan. 15th |
| America Maru | San Francisco, &c. | Jan. 27th |
| Arratoon Apcar | Singapore, &c. | Dec. 12th |
| Asama | New York | Dec. 27th |
| Australian | Sydney, &c. | Dec. 8th |
| Awa Maru | Marseilles, &c. | Dec. 29th |
| Bayern | Straits, &c. | Mar. 7th |
| Belgian King | San Diego, &c. | Jan. 15th |
| Breconshire | Victoria, B.C. | Jan. 13th |
| Carlisle City | San Diego, &c. | Dec. 31st |
| Carmarthenshire | San Diego, &c. | Jan. 31st |
| China | San Francisco, &c. | Dec. 16th |
| Chingtu | Sydney, &c. | Dec. 20th |
| City of Dublin | Victoria, B.C. | Dec. 30th |
| Clyde | Europe, &c. | Dec. 9th |
| Coptic | San Francisco, &c. | Jan. 20th |
| Doric | San Francisco, &c. | Dec. 23rd |
| Emp. China | Vancouver, &c. | Jan. 17th |
| Emp. India | " | Feb. 14th |
| Emp. Japan | " | Dec. 20th |
| Futami Maru | Thursday Is., &c. | Dec. 29th |
| Gaelic | San Francisco, &c. | Feb. 13th |
| Gisela | Yokohama & Kobe | Dec. 16th |
| Hailoong | Amoy & Tamsui | Dec. 9th |
| Haitan | Swatow | Dec. 8th |
| Hakata Maru | Marseilles, &c. | Dec. 15th |
| Hongkong Maru | San Francisco, &c. | Dec. 9th |
| Idomeneus | London | Dec. 12th |
| Japan | London | Dec. 14th |
| Kagoshima Maru | Kobe & Yokohama | Dec. 21st |
| Karlsruhe | Straits, &c. | Jan. 24th |
| König Albert | Straits, &c. | Dec. 13th |
| Königsberg | Havre, &c. | Dec. 14th |
| Maidzuru Maru | Swatow, &c. | Dec. 10th |
| Monmouthshire | Portland, &c. | Dec. 23rd |
| Nippon Maru | San Francisco, &c. | Jan. 3rd |
| Oldenburg | Straits, &c. | Feb. 21st |
| Parramatta | Shanghai | Dec. 9th |
| Patroclus | London | Dec. 26th |
| Preussen | Straits, &c. | Jan. 10th |
| Prinz Heinrich | Straits, &c. | Dec. 27th |
| Riojun Maru | Victoria, B.C. | Dec. 14th |
| Rosetta | Japan | Dec. 9th |
| Sachsen | Straits, &c. | Feb. 7th |
| Saint Irene | Victoria, B.C. | Dec. 20th |
| Sarnia | Havre, &c. | Jan. 7th |
| Silesia | Havre, &c. | Jan. 30th |
| Socotra | London | Dec. 28th |
| Strathgyle | San Diego, &c. | Dec. 20th |
| Stuttgart | Straits, &c. | Mar. 21st |
| Taiwan | Shanghai | Dec. 9th |
| Tantalus | Liverpool | Dec. 15th |
| Tosa Maru | Yokohama | Dec. 12th |
| Venus | Manila | Dec. 9th |
| Wittenberg | Havre, &c. | Jan. 20th |
| Yawata Maru | Japan | Dec. 23rd |
| Yuensang | Manila | Dec. 11th |

## THE BIG PRIZE TURKEY.

"A Merry Christmas, Bob," said Scrooge, with an earnestness that could not be mistaken, as he clapped him on the back. "A merrier Christmas, my good fellow, than I have given you for many a year. I'll raise your salary, and we will discuss your affairs this afternoon over a bowl of smoking bishop. Make up the fires and buy another coal-scuttle, Bob Cratchit."

And as to the big prize turkey which the regenerated Scrooge sent to Camden Town, do we not all know what sort of bird it was? That turkey never could have stood upon its legs, Mr. Dickens says. They must have snapped short off like sticks of sealing wax. How they managed to cook and eat that phenomenon the author doesn't say, as it was twice the size of Tiny Tim. Yet they did it somehow, and it was a mercy if the family (previously half starved) didn't all fall ill of the unwonted gorging of that wonderful Christmas day.

Even assuming (as we easily may) that the transmutation of an old skinflint like Scrooge into a high priest of charity was quite beyond the common run of modern miracles, and that dinners from such sources are as rare as they are welcome, it still remains true that human nature is apt to be at its best at Christmas, especially in England, where, of all countries in Christendom, most is made of that gentle and kindly holiday.

Yet, sad to tell, the very jollity and generosity of Christmas leads to regretable excesses. People eat and drink too much, and suffer accordingly. The roast and the boiled, the mince pies, the plum puddings, the tremendous flushings of wine, beer, and other beverages, these things overload the stomach and give the digestion more work than it can do, and punishment follows. For Nature has no favourites; she treats those who violate her laws on the 25th December exactly as though they had committed the offence on the first Monday in August.

And as to chromic dyspeptics, of whom there are enough in this old island to cram all the parks in London, *they* catch it fearfully about Christmastime. For, in spite of all warnings, they *will* go in for heavy meals and take the chances. Often the penalty is an acute attack which may threaten life, and nearly always weeks of pain and digestive disorders, whereof there are as many kinds as the body has organs and functions.

To them Christmas may be "merry" for an hour or two; then their merriment turns into misery, as October fogs and rains succeed a hot summer.

Now the writer is far from advising a free indulgence in the gustatory and bibulous festivities of the country's most popular holiday, but there is no use protesting against the fixed resolution of the people to enjoy themselves on that occasion. The customs and traditions of centuries are behind it, and you might as well whistle in the teeth of a north-east gale.

As a prophylactic and a cure for the evils alluded to, I can only recommend the universal use of Mother Seigel's Syrup, known to all as the best stimulant and digestant in the world.

In a letter dated January 10, 1899, a gentleman of Birmingham, who loves the pleasures of the table, and has money enough to buy whatever he wants, writes thus:—"It is only fair that I should thank you, as I do with all my heart, for the good done me by Mother Seigel's Syrup. For years I have been vexed with indigestion, and always had a tormenting spell of it after any public banquet or uncommon intake of rich food. Still, I was seldom able to resist temptation, although I understood perfectly well what yielding to it was sure to cost me. I have sought a preventive or a cure in vain at the hands of the best physicians, all of whom assured me that there was but one way, namely, to live on a low diet, and let luxuries alone.

"But this did not suit me, and I broke through the regulations frequently, with the inevitable results. However, when I began to use Mother Seigel's Syrup I had (almost) a license to do as I pleased. After an inviting but most risky dinner last Christmas I took a double dose of 'Mother Seigel,' and scarcely suffered at all. I told my experience, and a dozen friends adopted this amazing remedy right off. I am convinced that, with a little caution, and a dose of Mother Seigel's Syrup now and then, *one may bid defiance to dyspepsia* and the abominable ailments it sets up. Thanking you a thousand times, I am, yours truly, John Macfarlane."

With these facts we wish a merry (and a *healthy*) Christmas to the British people.—*Advt.*

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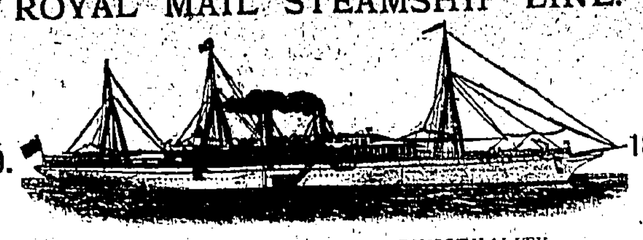
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| *Strathgyle*..... | 5,023 | about | Dec. 20 |
| *Carlisle City*..... | 3,002 | about | Dec. 31 |
| *Belgian King* ... | 3,379 | about | Jan. 15 |
| *Carmarthenshire* | 2,920 | about | Jan. 31 |

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1899. [1330

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| *Saint Ives*..... | 3,877 | W. Attree... | Dec. 20. |
| *City of Dublin* | 3,328 | J. R. Rae.... | Dec. 30. |
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AND
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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| *Doric* (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu). | Saturday, 23rd Dec., at Noon. |
| *Coptic* (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu). | Saturday, 20th Jan., 1900, at Noon. |
| *Gaelic* (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu). | Tuesday, 13th Feb., 1900, at Noon. |

THE Company's Steamship
"DORIC,"
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Hongkong, 30th November, 1899. [2

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

| STEAMERS. | DESTINATIONS. | SAILING DATES. |
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| Tosa Maru ..... H. Fraser ..... | YOKOHAMA (DIRECT) ..... | TUESDAY, 12th Dec., at 4 P.M. |
| Riojun Maru..... J. W. Ekstrand..... | VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI (WOOSUNG), KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... | THURSDAY, 14th Dec., at 4 P.M. |
| Hakata Maru..... F. L. Sommer ..... | MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID..... | FRIDAY, 15th Dec., at Noon. |
| Kagoshima Maru ..... R. Nunome ..... | KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... | THURSDAY, 21st Dec., at 4 P.M. |
| Yawata Maru..... A. E. Moses ..... | NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA ..... | SATURDAY, 23rd Dec., at 4 P.M. |
| Futami Maru..... J. Thom ..... | MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE ... | FRIDAY, 29th Dec., at 4 P.M. |
| Awa Maru ..... ..... | MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID | FRIDAY, 29th Dec., at 4 P.M. |

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A. S. MIHARA,
*Managtr.*
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*SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.*

| STEAMERS. | DESTINATIONS. | SAILING DATES. | |
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| *KONIGSBERG... Christiansen ..... | HAVRE and HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG) | 14th December. | Freight and Passage. |
| *SARNIA ..... Fuchs..... | HAVRE and HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG) | About 7th January. | Freight and Passage. |
| AMBRIA ..... Burmeister ..... | HAVRE and HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG) | About 15th January. | Freight. |
| WITTENBERG ... Madsen ..... | HAVRE and HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG) | About 20th January. | Freight. |
| *SILESIA ..... Behrens ..... | MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG) | About 30th January. | Freight and Passage. |

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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| HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) | Saturday, 9th Dec., at Noon. |
| NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) | Wednesday, 3rd Jan., 1900, at Noon. |
| AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) | Saturday, 27th Jan., 1900, at Noon. |

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 14th November, 1899. [1316

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

*VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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| *China* (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) ..... | Saturday, 16th Dec., at Noon. |

THE Company's Steamship
"CHINA,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 16th December, at Noon.
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1899. [1

## ACCIDENT AT THE YOKOHAMA STEAM LAUNDRY.

A painful accident occurred at the Yokohama Steam Laundry on the morning of the 24th ulto. According to the report in the *Japan Herald*, one of the Japanese employés was attending to a centrifugal water-extractor, in which the clothes are placed in order that the water may be wrung from them, and in attempting, foolishly enough, to adjust one of the articles of clothing, he thoughtlessly thrust his right arm into the receptacle, when it was instantly torn from its socket, leaving only about an inch of bone protruding from the shoulder. The accident will be better understood when it is explained that the extractor has a speed of 5,000 revolutions per minute. As soon as the attention of the Secretary, Mr. A. T. Watson, was drawn to the accident, he lost no time in binding up the terrible wound, from which the blood was streaming, as quickly as possible, and had the man conveyed to the hospital. The arm had meanwhile remained in the extractor, but but was afterwards removed and buried. It is expected that the patient will recover. We understand that he had no business to meddle with the machine at all. This is the first accident that has occurred at the laundry since its establishment.

## ITEMS OF NEWS FROM HOME PAPERS.

### U.S. President Asked to Interfere.

A deputation waited on the United States President asking him to tender his services as mediator beteen Great Britain and the Transvaal. The deputation represented senators, congressmen, college presidents, justices and hundreds of distinguished American citizens and was approved of by the Presidents of the Transvaal and Orange Free States, and by the Premier of Cape Colony. The Petitioners laid stress on the fact that they were not friends of the Boers but only wanted peace on account of their great abhorence of war. The petition, however, was refused as the President, though sympathising with its object, could not see how he could interfere unless first approached by Great Britain.

The President, it is reported, has also been asked by Russia, France and Spain to interfere.

### After the War.

The Continental papers are already considering what their Governments should do after the war is over, and almost unanimously are of opinion that they should demand compensation, should Britain decide to annex any further territory.

It is pleasant to find that our neighbours are so assured that our arms will be victorious, but we hardly believe their non-interference has been caused by any good will towards us.

### Sound Advice to Belgium.

A Belgian resident in England has written to Antwerp papers cautioning them against their animosity against Great Britain and reminds them that Belgium owes her independence to the power she is now reviling.

### Sufferings at Sea.

Last August (mid-winter in the Southern hemisphere) while the steamship *Tekoa* was on her passage from Wellington N. Z. to London, she struck a reef off the Straits of Le Maire, but was able to back off, not without, however, having sprung a leak, and as she was making water fast, the Captain decided to abandon the ship. One boat was launched, manned by five men, and was taken in tow. The Captain then changed his mind and refused to launch the other boats, still keeping the one in the water in tow. The weather became dirty and the heavy rolling of the ship necessitated his having to cut the boat adrift. Next morning the boat's crew found themselves deserted, the food consisting of ship's biscuits spoilt by the sea water and the fresh water frozen. They remained in this terrible state for several days, eventually being picked up by the *Gifford* all very much exhausted. The *Tekoa* it has since been ascertained, succeeded in making Port Stanley.

## THE WAR AND THE GOLD SUPPLY.

"The effect of war in South Africa upon the world's supply of gold is not likely to be seriously felt outside of England, if it is felt there. The Transvaal has become one of the great gold-producing districts of the world, but the yield of other districts has so rapidly grown in recent years that the whole Transvaal product could be eliminated without reducing the net gold product per year within the limits of a few years ago. The official figures of the Mint Bureau put the total production of gold in the world in 1897 at $237,504,800 and in 1898 at about $287,000,000. The share of the whole of Africa, mostly Transvaal gold, in 1897, was $58,306,600, and in 1898 about $80,000,000. The production of the Transvaal district for 1899, down to the close of August, was 3,502,048 ounces as compared with 2,697,917 ounces for the same eight months of 1898. This is equivalent to about $36,000,000 this year and $48,600,000 last year. At this rate the production of the whole year 1899 would reach nearly $95,000,000. The yield for the last four months of the year will be entirely lost in case of war, except so far as September and early October have already afforded a considerable product which has been laid down for export. If the war is limited to the present calendar year, its effect upon the gold supply will be simply to wipe out a little more than the normal increase in the Transvaal over last year. If the entire product of the district should be lost for the whole of the year 1900 (which is not very probable) and other districts should remain stationary in production, the product of the year throughout the world would be about $260,000,000. There is no occasion to fear a scarcity of gold in the world at large, even with the entire Transvaal product cut off. A product of $260,000,000 is far ahead of the production of any year prior to 1898. The yield throughout the world since 1886, with the yield of Africa stated separately, appears in the following table:—

WORLD'S PRODUCTION OF GOLD.

| Year. | World's Production. | African Production. |
|---|---|---|
| 1887 | $105,774,955 | $ 1,919,000 |
| 1888 | 110,166,915 | 4,500,000 |
| 1889 | 120,971,514 | 8,586,632 |
| 1890 | 118,149,620 | 9,887,900 |
| 1891 | 130,650,000 | 14,199,600 |
| 1892 | 146,297,600 | 24,232,000 |
| 1893 | 157,494,800 | 28,943,500 |
| 1894 | 181,567,800 | 40,271,000 |
| 1895 | 198,763,600 | 44,728,400 |
| 1896 | 202,682,300 | 44,581,100 |
| 1897 | 237,504,800 | 58,306,600 |
| 1898 | 287,000,000 | 65,000,000 |
| 1899 | 320,000,000* | 75,000,000* |

* Estimated.

"It is evident that upon the world at large the constantly increasing product of Australia, the mines of the United States, and the Klondike are contributing a sufficient increment of new gold to maintain the supply, even with the African mines forever closed."—*Washington Correspondence of the New York Journal of Commerce.*

## REPORTED RESIGNATION OF THE EDITOR OF THE "CHRONICLE."

LONDON, November 26th.

As a result of the attitude taken up by the *Daily Chronicle*, the Editor, it is alleged, has resigned.

[The wording of this telegram is not very clear, but the above would appear to be the sense. As our readers are aware, the *Daily Chronicle* has strongly opposed the war, and apparently was the journal that charged Sir Alfred Milner with having stated that it was his function to destroy the Afrikander power in South Africa. The attitude taken by Mr. Massingham (the Editor) has apparently not been approved of by the proprietors of the journal, with the result that he has resigned.—ED. *K. C.*] *Kobe Chron.* Special.

## VLADIVOSTOCK.

The Odessa *Listok*, graphically describes the dreadful mortality caused by the present manner of transporting troops and other passengers to the Far East from Odessa. Dealing with the recent outward voyage of the *Petersburg*, one of the fast cruisers of the Volunteer Fleet, it says that this vessel reached Vladivostock on Aug. 5 last, after the ordinary run of about forty days. While accomodation is provided for only 1,000 third-class passengers, the *Petersburg* carried no fewer than 1,600. The 600 is excess of the number for which accomodation is provided on the *Petersburg* were quartered on board wherever convenient, the great majority being huddled together in the forward hold, where there was little or no light, and but the poorest apology for ventilation. Under such inhuman conditions of semi-darkness, suffocation, and stench, the miserable creatures passed the greater part of the voyage through the tropics. The natural consequences of such a breach of all the laws of sanitation soon developed themselves, and disorders of various kinds broke out on board. Out of the 600 excess passengers fifty five ended their sufferings where they began, and were buried at sea. But these fifty-five deaths by no means represent the total sacrifice of human life to the exigencies of space during this voyage of the *Petersburg*. On the arrival of the vessel at Vladivostock some dozen of victims, who were reduced to mere skeletons, had to be transferred to the local barrack hospitals in a state of prostration from dysentery, measles, skin diseases, and the like, and it is not surprising to learn that nine more deaths occurred in these hospitals during the four days following the transfer of the sufferers thither.

## ABANDONING CAPTURED PHILIPPINE TOWNS.

The announcement from Washington that the Government has abolished the Philippine censorship gives added interest to a letter published by the Chicago *Record* from John T. McCutcheon, its Philippine correspondent, telling what news General Otis has been suppressing. The most interesting feature of the letter contains news whose publication cannot well aid the natives, because it is the very news that they know best—the capture and abandonment of Philippine towns. Those who consider this policy of abandonment a grievous mistake will be glad to note the announcement that in the present forward movement in Luzon all captured towns will be garrisoned and held. "The following partial list," says Mr. McCutcheon, "will show what our troops have done, and will reveal what a world of unnecessary work they have had to do":—

"Pasig has been captured three times and abandoned twice. Guadeloupe has been captured four times and abandoned three times. Mariquina has been captured six times and abandoned six times. Canita has been captured twice and abandoned twice. Antipolo has been captured once and abandoned. Morong has been captured twice and abandoned twice. Santa Cruz has been captured once and abandoned. Pagsanjan has been captured once and abandoned. Longos has been captured once and abandoned. Longos has been captured once and abandoned. Pacte has been captured once and abandoned. Novaliches has been captured twice and abandoned twice. San Mateo has been captured once and abandoned. San José has been captured once and abandoned. Norzagaray has been captured once and abandoned. San Miguel de Mayuma has been captured once and abandoned. Mexico has been captured twice and abandoned once. Bacolor has been captured twice and abandoned once. Macabebe, the only town friendly to the Americans, was taken and and deserted and allowed to be burned by the natives. Quingua was taken twice and abandoned once. Guagua was taken once and abandoned."—*Literary Digest.*

## SE NON E VERO, E BEN TROVATO.

There have been inter-racial complications at Elandslaagte before now. A Dutch farmer joined the Durban train at Elandslaagte Station and found himself in the same carriage with an English lady nursing a King Charles spaniel. The Boer began to smoke and the lady remonstrated. He simply went on with his smoking, whereupon the lady jumped up from her seat, and with the remark, "This is not a smoking carriage," snatched his pipe from his mouth and threw it out of the window. The Dutchman deliberately rose to his feet, picked up the little dog, and observing, "Diss is not a gompartment for leetle hounds," threw that out of the window also. When the train drew up at Ladysmith, the lady excitedly called the guard and charged the Boer with killing her dog. The Boer retaliated by charging the lady with destroying his pipe. The guard was at his wits' end between them, when all at once peace was restored by the little dog trotting up the platform with the pipe in his mouth.

## UNITED STATES.

The stringent laws in force have not lessened immigration. The number of immigrants last year was 311,715, or 82,416 above the previous year. The increase was mainly from Italy, Austria-Hungary, Russia, and Finland. Of the total Europe claimed altogether 297,349. The important Commercial Congress, which has been in session during the past few weeks in Philadelphia, has passed the following resolutions:—

(1) Recommending all nations to join a union for the registration of trade marks.

(2) Recommending all governments to establish a parcel post system.

(3) In favour of uniform trade statistics for all nations.

(4) Requesting the nations to establish an international bureau for the collection and dissemination of agricultural reports.

(5) Recommending the Philadelphia Commercial Museum to the support of governments and chambers of commerce.

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# The Share Market.

**LATEST QUOTATIONS.**

*(December 7th.)*

| Companies. | Paid up Capital. | Latest quotation. |
|---|---|---|
| **Banks.** | | |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation | $125 | 350 % premium |
| The Bank of China & Japan, Limited—(Preference) | £ 5 | Nominal |
| The Bank of China & Japan, Limited—(Ordinary) | £ 4 | £1 buyers. |
| The Bank of China & Japan, Limited—(Deferred) | £ 1 | £5.5 buyers |
| National Bank of China, Ld. Founders | £ 1 | $20 |
| Do. | £ 8 | $30 |
| **Marine Insurances.** | | |
| Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ld. | $ 50 | $242 |
| China Traders' Ins. Co., Ld. | $ 25 | $59 |
| North China Ins. Co., Ld. | £ 25 | Tls. 190 |
| Yangtsze Ins. Assoc. Ld. | $ 60 | $121 |
| Canton Ins. Office, Ld. | $ 50 | $132½ |
| Straits Ins. Co., Ld. | $ 20 | $2¾ |
| **Fire Insurances.** | | |
| Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $327½ |
| China Fire Ins. Co., Ld. | $ 20 | $88 buyers |
| **Shipping.** | | |
| Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited | $ 15 | $31 |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. | £ 10 | $86 |
| China & Manila S.S. Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $90 |
| Douglas Steamship Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $47 |
| China Mutual S. N. Co., Ld.—(Pref.) | £ 10 | £9.15 buyers |
| China Mutual S. N. Co., Ld.—(O'ary) | £ 10 | £9 buyers |
| China Mutual S. N. Co., Ld.—(O'ary) | £ 5 | £5 buyers |
| Star Ferry Co., Ld. | $ 10 | $21¼ |
| "Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ld. | £100 | £230 |
| **Refineries.** | | |
| China Sugar Refining Co., Ld. | $100 | $123 |
| Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ld. | $100 | $47 |
| **Mining.** | | |
| Punjom Mining Co., Ld. | $ 6 | $8 |
| Punjom Mining Preference Shares | $ 1 | $1.30 |
| Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin | Fcs. 250 | $300 |
| Queen Mines, Ld. | 25 cts. | $0.40 |
| Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Ld. | $ 5 | $14 |
| Raub Allian Gold Mining Co., Ld. | 15s. 10d. | $63 |
| Olivers Freehold Mines, Ld. | $ 5 | $9 |
| Olivers Freehold Mines, Ld. | $ 4½ | $6¼ |
| Great Eastern & Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ld. | $ 5 | $0.80 |
| Do. (Preference) | $ 1 | $0.50 sellers |
| **Docks, Wharves and Godowns.** | | |
| Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld. | $125 | 525 % |
| Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $84½ |
| Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ld. | $ 37½ | $45 buyers |
| New Amoy Dock Co., Ld. | $ 6¼ | 19. |
| **Lands, Hotels and Buildings.** | | |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld. | $ 10 | $9.50 |
| Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $111 |
| Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld. | $ 30 | $28 |
| West Point Building Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $29½ |
| Hongkong Hotel Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $120 |
| Humphrey's Estate & Finance Co., Ld. | $ 10 | $9¾ |
| **Cotton Mills.** | | |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ld. | $100 | $58 |
| Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ld. | Tls. 100 | Tls. 65 |
| International Cotton M'fg. Co., Ld. | Tls. 100 | Tls. 65 |
| Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld. | Tls. 100 | Tls. 75 |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld. | Tls. 500 | Tls. 350 |
| Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld. | Tls. 100 | Tls. 55 |
| **Miscellaneous.** | | |
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| China-Borneo Co., Ld | $ 55 | $10 |
| A. S. Watson & Co., Limited | $ 10 | $15.75 ex div. |
| Watkins, Limited | $ 10 | $10 |
| Hongkong Electric Co., Limited | $ 10 | $10½ |
| Hongkong Electric Co., Limited | $ 2 | $2 |
| Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ld. | £ 10 | $130 |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ld | $ 50 | $198 buyers |
| Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ld. | $ 25 | $42 |
| H'kong Ice Co., Ld. | $ 25 | $125 |
| H'kong High-Level Tramways Co., Ld. | $100 | $147½ |
| Dairy Farm Co., Ld. | $ 6 | $6 |
| Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ld. | $ 50 | $35 |
| Campbell, Moore and Co., Ld. | $ 10 | $15 buyers |
| Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld. | £ 1 | £1 nominal |
| United Asbestos Oriental Ag'cy, Ld. | $ 4 | $2 |
| United Asbestos Oriental Ag'cy, Ld. | $ 10 | $10 |
| Carmichael & Co., Ld. | $ 20 | $8 |
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" Credits, 30 days' sight ......48½
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Dollars ......5¾ per cent. prem.

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## VESSELS IN PORT.

**Steamers.**

ARRATOON APCAR, British steamer, 2,879, E. Fey, 5th Dec.,—Calcutta and Singapore 28th Nov., General.—David, Sassoon Sons & Co.

AUSTRALIAN, British steamer, 3,000, P. T. Helms, 3rd Dec.,—Kobe 27th Nov., General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CLARA, German steamer, 675, A. Hansen, 30th Nov.,—Haiphong 26th Nov., Rice.—Jebsen & Co.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 5,904, G. A. Lee, R.N.R., 2nd Dec.,—Vancouver 10th Nov., and Shanghai 30th, Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.

EQUATORIA, Belgian str., 1,236, W. Williams, 22nd Oct.,—Swatow 21st Oct., Ballast.—Lauts, Wegener & Co.

FUKUI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,815, Y. Hirayama, 3rd Dec.,—Moji 27th Nov., Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HAILOONG, British steamer, 783, A. J. Robson, 6th Dec.,—Tamsui 2nd Dec., Amoy 4th, and Swatow 5th, General.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

HAINAN, German steamer, 648, F. Clausen, 6th Dec.,—Chefoo 2nd Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Roach, 19th Nov.,—Foochow and Amoy 18th Nov., General.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

HANOI, French steamer, 739, Pannier, 4th Dec.,—Haiphong and Hoihow 3rd Dec., General.—A. R. Marty.

HOHENZOLLERN, German steamer, 2,039, H. Kirchner, 6th Nov.,—Yokohama 27th Oct., Kobe 31st, and Nagasaki 2nd Nov., General.—Melchers & Co.

HOLSTEIN, German steamer, 985, M. Ipland, 28th Nov.,—Saigon 22nd Nov., Rice.—Jebsen & Co.

HONGKONG MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,385, W. E. Filmer, 29th Nov.,—San Francisco 1st Nov., Honolulu 8th, Yokohama 11st, Kobe 22nd, Nagasaki 24th, and Shanghai 27th, General.—J. S. Van Buren.

KACHIDATE MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,143, S. Fujiki, 3rd Dec.,—Moji 28th Nov., Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

KEONG WAI, British steamer, 1,115, T. W. Groves, 3rd Dec.,—Bangkok 22nd Nov., Rice and Timber.—Yuen Fat Hong.

MENMUIR, British steamer, 1,980, S. J. George, 6th Dec.,—Sourabaya and Cheribon 25th Nov., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MICHAEL JEBSEN, German steamer, 710, Buraxen, 5th Dec.,—Chefoo 28th Nov., General.—Jebsen & Co.

NANYANG, German steamer, 983, Th. Lehmann, 3rd Dec.,—Canton 3rd Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.

ROSETTA, British steamer, 2,039, C. C. Talbot, R.N.R., 6th Dec.,—Yokohama 29th Nov., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

SWATOW, German steamer, 631, Jespersen, 5th Dec,—Haiphong 3rd Dec., and Hoihow 4th, Rice.—A. R. Marty.

TAI CHEONG, German steamer, 828, H. Ahrens, 2nd Dec.,—Saigon 26th Nov., Rice and Rice-flour.—Meyer & Co.

TETARTOS, German steamer, 1,578, T. Desler, 5th Dec.,—Saigon 1st Dec., Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

UNDAUNTED, British steamer, 2,026, S. Elcoale, 9th Nov.,—Philadelphia 8th Sept., Kerosine Oil.—Order.

VENUS, American steamer, 562, D. Imas, 4th Dec.,—Cebu 29th Nov., Sugar.—Brandao & Co.

ZWEENA, British steamer, 941, J. H. Nesbitt, 5th Dec.,—Cheribon and Labuan 23rd November, Sugar and General.—Lauts, Wegener & Co.

**Sailing Vessels.**

ADOLPH OBRIG, American bark, 1,302, Armsbury, 17th Oct.,—New York 5th May, Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.

JOHN MCDONALD, American ship, 2,128, Stern, 25th Nov.,—New York 25th June, Oil.—Standard Oil Co.

MARY L. CUSHING, American bark, 1,540, Pendleton, 1st Oct.,—New York 16th May, Case Oil.—Order.

REUCE, American ship, 1,828, D. Whitmore, 3rd Oct.,—New York 30th May, Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.

SIMLA, British 4-masted bark, 2,087, Huestis, 25th Aug.,—Cebu and Phillipine Islands 22nd Aug., Ballast.—Order.

ST. MARK, American ship, 1,861, D. W. Dudley, 7th Nov.,—Manila 19th Oct., Ballast.—Master.

STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,500, Colcord, 9th Oct.,—New York 20th May, Kerosine Oil.—Standard Oil Co.

WARATAH, British schooner, 25, Haynes, 23rd Sept.,—Takow 15th Sept., Ballast.—Mr. F. W. Hall.

WEST YORK, British bark, 706, N. S. Faister, 9th Nov.,—Albong, W.A. 4th July, Sandal Wood.—Order.

WM. H. CONNER, American ship, 1,424, J. T. Erskine, *14th Oct.,—New York 7th May,* and Rio Janeiro 11th July, Kerosine.—Standard Oil Co.

## HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

Hongkong, December 7th, 1899.

*Alacrity*, despatch-vessel, 1,735 tons, 10 6-pd. q.f. guns, 3,000 i.h.p., Commander A. H. Smith-Dorrien, Hongkong.

*Algerine*, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 i.h.p., Comdr. E. J. W. Slade, Hongkong.

*Aurora*, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. E. H. Bayly, Wei-hai-wei.

*Barfleur*, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons, 14 guns, 13,163 i.h.p. Captain Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.B., Hongkong.

*Bonaventure*, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 18 guns, 9,000 i.h.p., Capt. R. H. J. Montgomerie, C.B., R.N., Shanghai.

*Brisk*, British cruiser, 1,770 tons, 6 guns, 5,600 h.p., Capt. Wrey, Hongkong.

*Centurion*, 1st class battleship, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 13,000 i.h.p., Captain J. R. Jellicoe, Singapore.

*Daphne*, sloop, 1,140 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 i.h.p., Comdr. C. Winnington-Ingram, Hankow.

*Endymion*, British cruiser, 7,350 tons, Capt. G. A. Callaghan, Hongkong.

*Esk*, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. C. Chadwick, Ichang.

*Fame*, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5,400 i.h.p., Lieut.-Com. W. J. Keyes, Hongkong.

*Firebrand*, 3rd class gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 360 i.h.p., Hongkong.

*Handy*, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 i.h.p., Hongkong.

*Hart*, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 i.h.p., Hongkong.

*Hermione*, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 9,000 i.h.p., 18 guns, Capt. R. S. D. Cumming, Singapore.

*Humber*, storeship, 1,640 tons, 800 i.h.p., Com. H. J. Davison, Hongkong.

*Iphigenia*, 2nd class cruiser, 3,600 tons, 8 guns, 7,000 i.h.p., Capt. H. N. Dudding, Hongkong.

*Linnet*, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 i.h.p., Commander W. W. Smythe, Wuchow.

*Orlando*, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. J. H. Burke, Hongkong.

*Peacock*, 1st class gunboat, 755 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. P. S. St. John, Manila.

*Pigmy*, 1st class gunboat, 755 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. F. E. Green, Wei-hai-wei.

*Plover*, 1st class gunboat, 453 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. C. V. de M. Cowper, Hongkong.

*Redpole*, British gunboat, 805 tons, Capt. F. F. Haworth Booth, en route Shanghai.

*Sandpiper*, British river-gunboat, 2 guns, Lt.-Comdr. Carr, on the West River.

*Swift*, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 i.h.p., Hongkong.

*Tamar*, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, Comdr. Powell, Hongkong.

*Tweed*, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. E. Hillman, on the West River.

*Undaunted*, 1st class cruiser, 5,600 tons, 12 guns, 8,500 i.h.p., Capt. A. C. Clarke, Manila.

*Victorious*, British battleship, 14,900 tons, 32 guns, 12,000 i.h.p., Captain A. Schomberg, Wei-hai-wei.

*Waterwitch*, surveying vessel, 620 tons, Commander W. P. Dawson, Foochow.

*Whiting*, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6,000 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. E. Kelly, Hongkong.

*Wivern*, coast defence ship, 2,750 tons, 4 guns, 1,000 i.h.p., Hongkong.

*Woodcock*, British gunboat, 2 guns, 560 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Watson, on the Yangtsze.

*Woodlark*, British gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lt.-Comdr. R. A. Norton, on the Yangtsze.

Torpedo-boats in Reserve Nos. 8 and 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first-class; and 3 second-class boats.

**Italian.**

*Carlo Alberto*, Italian cruiser, 7,000 tons, Capt. R. Call, Shanghai.

*Etna*, Italian cruiser, 3,530 tons, Capt. C. Giorello, Chefoo.

*Liguria*, Italian cruiser, 4,500 tons, Captain Casella, Singapore.

*Piemonte*, Italian cruiser, 2,800 tons, 12 guns, Captain Giuliani, Singapore.

*Stromboli*, Italian cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns, 6,252 h.p., Capt. C. Bregante, Hongkong.

**Miscellaneous.**

*Liberal*, Portuguese gunboat, 588 tons, Comdr. Cunha, Hongkong.

*Presidento Sarmineto*, Argentine cruiser, 2,850 tons, Capt. Betbeder, Manila.

## FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

**The Russian Squadron.**

*Admiral Korniloff*, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons twin screw, 36 guns, 9,500 h.p., Captain Jakovleff, at Nagasaki.

*Aleout*, Russian gunboat, 810 tons, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Captain Elkisky, at Nagasaki.

*Bobre*, Russian gun-vessel, twin screw, 950 tons, 13 guns, 1,150 h.p., Captain Dobrovolsky, at Nagasaki.

*Dimitri Donskoy*, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,893 tons, twin screw, 34 guns, 7,000 h.p., Comdr. Sharon, at Nagasaki.

*Gaidamak*, Russian gunboat, 400 tons, twin screw, 18 guns, 3,500 h.p., Capt. Serebrennikff, at Nagasaki.

*Gremiastchy*, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,492 tons, twin screw 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Miklashevsky, at Nagasaki.

*Koreyetz*, Russian cruiser, 1,200 tons, 9 guns, 2,150 h.p., Capt. Sillmann, at Nagasaki.

*Mandjour*, Russian cruiser, 1,213 tons, twin screw, 14 guns, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Yakoveff, at Nagasaki.

*Navarin*, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 10 guns, 9,000 h.p. Captain Yenish, at Nagasaki.

*Nayezdnik*, Russian cruiser, 1,334 tons, 14 guns, 1,800 h.p., Capt. Zarine, at Nagasaki.

*Otvazny*, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,490 tons, twin screw, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Captain Coprianoff, at Nagasaki.

*Pamiat Azova*,* Russian cruiser, 6,000 tons, 36 guns, 8,000 h.p., Captain Nidermiller, at Nagasaki.

*Rossia*, Russian armourd cruiser, 12,200 tons, 22 guns, 14,500 h.p., Capt. Domojiroff, at Vladivostock.

*Rurik*,‡ Russian flagship, 10,940 tons, armoured twin screw cruiser, 1st class, 48 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Haupt, at Nagasaki.

*Sliatch*, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Barronoff, at Nagasaki.

*Sissoi Veliky*, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 14 guns, 8,500 i.h.p, Capt. Mollas, at Nagasaki.

*Sivoutch*, Russian gunboat, 950 tons, twin screw 13 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Soubatin, at Nagasaki.

*Vladimir Monomach*, Russian cruiser, 6,000 tons, 16 guns, Prince Ouchtomsky, at Chemulpo.

*Vostock*, Russian torpedo gunboat, 4 guns, 650 h.p., Com. Molchousky, at Nagasaki.

*Vsadnik*, Russian torpedo boat, 400 tons, 18 guns, twin screw, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Rogulia, at Nagasaki.

*Zabiaka*, Russian cruiser, 1,230 tons, 20 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Shkruff, at Nagasaki.

**RUSSIAN TORPEDO FLOTILLA. (SEA GOING.)**

*Borgo*, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 81 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 1,100 h.p., speed 21 knots.

*Revel*, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 96 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 22 knots.

*Sweaborg*, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 69 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 19.7 knots.

(1st and 2nd class.)

*Forel*, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.

*Jantchtchi*, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 19 knots.

*Nargen*, Russian torpedo boat, 85 tons 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., 22 knots.

*Novorossisk*, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 2,900 h.p., 22 knots.

*Podorosnik*, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.

*Sitik*, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.

*Skorpion*, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.

*Sootchèna*, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 19 knots.

*Sterlaid*, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.

*Strauss*, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.

*Sunguri*, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.

*Ussuri*, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.

† Flagship of Vice-Admiral Alexeieff.
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral F. V. Dubossoff.
‡ Flagship of Rear-Admiral Reounoff.

**THE FRENCH SQUADRON.**

*Bengali*, 2nd class dispatch-boat, Lt.-Comdr De La Croix de Castries, at Haiphong.

*D'Entrecasteaux*,* 1st class cruiser, 8,114 tons, 26 guns, 13,500 i.h.p., Capt. de Marolles, at Kwang-chau-wan.

*Descartes*, 2nd class protected cruiser, 3,985 tons, 36 guns 631 i.h.p., Captain Philibert, at Haiphong.

*Eure*, Dispatch-transport, Capt. Vallée, at Saigon.

*Jean Bart*, 1st class cruiser, 4,500 tons, 10 guns, 8,000 i.h.p., Capt. Aubin, at Kwang-chau-wan.

*Kersaint*, 3rd class cruiser, 1,243 tons, 13 guns, 2,200 i.h.p., Capt. de la Motte du Portail, at Kwang-chau-wan.

*Lion*, gunboat, 473 tons, 8 guns, 576 h.p., Capt. Amet, at Hoihow.

*Pascal*, 2nd class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns, 9,000 i.h.p., Capt. M. Motet, at Kwang-chau-wan.

*Surprise*, gunboat, 627 tons, 10 guns, 860 i.h.p., Capt. Mornet, at Hongay.

* Flag-ship of Vice-Admiral Courrejolles.

**THE GERMAN SQUADRON.**

*Deutschland*,* German battleship, 8,400 tons, 38 guns, 5,360 h.p., Capt. Müller, at Hongkong.

*Gefion*, German cruiser, 4,200 tons, 25 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Rollmann, at Hongkong.

*Hansa*, German cruiser, 6,400 tons, Capt. Pohl, Hongkong.

*Hertha*, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, Capt. S. v. Usedom, at Hongkong.

*Iltis*, German gunboat, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., Captain H. H. Lans, on the Tsingtau.

*Irene*, German cruiser, 4,400 tons, 22 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Obenteimier, at Nagasaki.

*Jaguar*, German cruiser, Captain Kinderling, at Kiaochow.

*Kaiserin Augusta*, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, 12 guns, 13,040 i.h.p., Captain Gulich, at Shanghai.

* Flagship of Prince Henry of Prussia.

**THE AMERICAN SQUADRON.**

*Bennington*, U.S. gunboat, 1,710 tons, 6 guns, 3,436 h.p., Com. C. H. Arnold, at Manila.

*Callao*, U.S. gunboat, 137 tons, 1 gun, 55 h.p., Lieut. Benjamin Tappan, at Manila.

*Castine*, U.S. gunboat, 1,177 tons, 8 guns, 2,199 h.p., Comdr. S. W. Very, at Manila.

*Celtic*, U.S. supply-ship, 6,428 tons, 1,890 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. N. J. K. Patch, at Manila.

*Concord*, U.S. gunboat, 1,700 tons, 6 guns, 3,405 h.p., Comdr. S. M. Ackley, at Manila.

*Culgoa*, U.S. supply-ship, 7,000 tons, 2,350 h.p., Comdr. J. W. Carlin, at Manila.

*Glacier*, U.S. supply-ship, Lieut.-Comdr. J. B. Briggs, at Manila.

*Helena*, U.S. gunboat, 1,397 tons, 8 guns, 1,998 h.p., Comdr. E. K. Moore, at Manila.

*Iris*, U.S. distilling-ship, 6,100 tons, 1,300 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Everett, at Hongkong.

*Manila*, U.S. gunboat, 1,057 tons, 2 guns, 750 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. A. P. Nazro, at Manila.

*Monadnock*, U.S. double-turret monitor, 3,990 tons, 6 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comdr. John McGowan, at Manila.

*Monocacy*, U.S. gunboat, 1,370 tons, 6 guns, 850 h.p., Com. G. A. Bicknell, at Shanghai.

*Monterey*, U.S. double-turret monitor, 4,084 tons, 4 guns, 5,244 h.p., Comdr. E. H. C. Leutze, at Manila.

*Nanshan*, U.S. collier, Lieut. L. A. Kaiser.

*Oregon*, 1st class U.S. battleship, 10,288 tons, 16 guns, 11,111 h.p., Capt. G. F. F. Wilde, at Manila.

*Petrel*, U.S. gunboat, 892 tons, 4 guns, 1,095 h.p., Comdr. C. C. Cornwell, at Manila.

*Princeton*, U.S. gunboat, 1,000 tons, 6 guns, 800 h.p., Comdr. Harry Knox, at Manila.

*Wheeling*, U.S. gunboat, 1,000 tons, 6 guns, 1,081 h.p., Comdr. W. T. Burwell, at Manila.

*Yorktown*, U.S. gunboat, 1,710 tons, 6 guns, 3,392 h.p., Comdr. C. S. Sperry, at Manila.

*Yosemite*, U.S. converted cruiser, 6,179 tons, 10 guns, 3,800 h.p., Capt. G. E. Ide, at Manila.

*Zafiro*, U.S. dispatch-vessel, Master A. M. Whitton.

## JAPANESE MEN-OF-WAR.

**Battleships.**

*Yashima* 1st class, 12,460 tons, 36 guns, 14,000 h.p., at Kure.

*Fuji*, 1st class, 12,450 tons, 38 guns, 14,000 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Chinyen*, 2nd class, 7,330 tons, 22 guns, 6,200 h.p., at Yokosuka.

**Coast Defence Ships.**

*Matsushima*, 1st class, 4,277 tons, 25 guns, 5,400 h.p., at Sasebo.

*Itsukushima*, 1st class, 4,277 tons, 35 guns, 5,400 h.p., at Kure.

*Hashidate*, 1st class, 4,277 tons, 35 guns, 5,400 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Kongo*, 2nd class, 2,550 tons, 13 guns, 2,035 h.p., at Kure.

*Hiyei*, 2nd class, 2,550 tons, 13 guns, 2,035 h.p., at Kure.

*Heiyen*, 2nd class, 2,600 tons, 15 guns, 2,400 h.p., at Yokosuka.

**Cruisers.**

*Kasagi*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,978 tons, 30 guns, 15,500 h.p., at Sasebo.

*Chitose*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,978 tons, 30 guns, 15,500 h.p., at Kure.

*Akashi*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,800 tons, 30 guns, 8,500 h.p., at Kure.

*Yoshino*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,150 tons, 32 guns, 15,000 h.p., at Kure.

*Naniwa*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 3,709 tons, 24 guns, 7,120 h.p., at Manila.

*Takachiho*, protected cruiser, 1st class 3,700 tons, 24 guns, 7,120 h.p., at Keelung.

*Chiyoda*, protected cruise, 1st class, 2,450 tons, 27 guns, 5,500 h.p., at Kure.

*Takasago*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,227 tons, 30 guns, 10,000 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Akitsusu*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 3,150 26 guns, 8,500 h.p., at Sasebo.

*Suma*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,700 tons, 24 guns, 8,500 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Idsumi*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,950 tons, 20 guns, 6,080 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Sai-yen*, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,300 tons, 15 guns, 2,800 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Akitsushima*, protected cruiser, 1st class, at Manila.

*Miyako*, 2nd class, 1,800 tons 34 guns, 5,000 h.p.

*Takao*, 2nd class, 1,764 tons 15 guns, 2,400 h.p., at Shanghai.

*Yaeyama*, 3rd class 1,600 tons, 10 guns, 5,630 h.p., at Amoy.

*Tsukushi*, 3rd class, 1380 tons, 12 guns, 2,887 h.p., at Kure.

**Sloops and Corvettes.**

*Musashi*, 1,490 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., at Yokosuka.

*Katsuragi*, 1,480 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., at Sasebo.

*Yamato*, 1,480 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., at Chemulpo.

*Tenriu*, 1,550 tons, 10 guns, 1165 h.p., at Fusan.

*Kaimon*, 1,360 tons, 10 guns, 1,125 h.p., at Sasebo.

*Amagi*, 1,030 tons, 13 guns, 720 h.p., Yokosuka.

**Gun-boats.**

*Oshima*, 640 tons, 10 guns, 1,200 h.p., at Sasebo.
*Akagi*, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Kure.
*Atago*, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Kobe.
*Maya*, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Kure.
*Chiokai*, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Taku.
*Soko*, 572 tons, 4 guns, 400 h.p., at Sasebo.
*Iwaki*, 600 tons, 6 guns, 400 h.p., at Yokosuka.
*Chinto*, 490 tons, 5 guns 472 h.p.
*Chinesi*, 490 tons, 5 guns, 472 h.p.
*Chin Hoku*, 490 tons, 5 guns, 472 h.p.
*Chin Pui*, 500 tons, 9 guns, 455 h.p.
*Chin Chu*, 500 tons, 9 guns, 455 h.p.

**Torpedo-gunboat.**

*Tatsuta*, 875 tons, 6 guns, 5 torpedo tubes, 5,500 h.p., at Yokosuka.

**Torpedo-boats.**

*Murakumo*, 279 tons, at Ujina.
*Shinonome*, 279 tons, at Kure.
*Yugiri*, 279 tons, at Takeshiki.
*Shiranuki*, 279 tons, at Kobe.
*Ikadusch*, torpedo-boat destroyer, 331 tons, Comdr. I. Ishida, at Yokosuka.
*Kotaka*, 190 tons, 6 torpedo-tubes, 1,400 h.p.
*Shiramubi*, torpedo-boat, 278 tons, Comdr. Kosoma, at Japan.
14 boats (Creusot), 56 tons, 2 torpedo-tubes, 525 h.p.
7 boats (Kobe), 56 tons, 2 torpedo-tubes, 525 h.p.
1 boat (Normand), 75 tons, 2 torpedo-tubes, 1,300 h.p.
2 boots (Schichau), 90 tons, 3 torpedo-tubes, 1,300 h.p.
4 boats (Yarrow), 40 tons, 3 torpedo-tubes, 620 h.p.
10 boats (Yarrow), 40 tons, 3 torpedo-tubes, 620 h.p.

**Miscellaneous.**

*Tokiwa*, at Yokosuka.
*Fuso*, at Kure.
*Naniwa*, at Yokosuka.
*Rinjo*, armoured cruiser, 2,530 tons, 10 guns, 800 h.p. (used as gunnery traning ship.)
*Kanjiu*, sailing-ship, 877 tons, 6 guns. (used as training ship.)
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*Tsukuba*, wooden screw steamer, 1,989 tons, 10 guns, 520 h.p., at Edajima. (used as training ship.)
*Asama*, sailing corvette, 1,420 tons, 12 guns, at Yokosuka. (used as a hulk.)
*Jingei* wooden paddle steamer, 1,465 tons, 2 small guns. (used as torpedo training ship.

## RIVER STEAMERS, SCHOONERS, AND LORCHAS.

*Faishan*, British steamer, 2,260, J. Dick,—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

*Ho-nam*, British steamer, 1,377, H. D. Jones,—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

*Powan*, British steamer, 1,890, A. N. Patrick,—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

*Hankow*, British steamer, 2,235, C. V. Lloyd,—Butterfield & Swire.

*Hoi-tong*, Chinese steamer, 409 tons, Captain Austen,—Chi-Wo & Co.

*Tai-on*, British steamer, 728, Goblouski,—Tai On Steamship Co.

*Chun Wai*, British steamer,—Kwong Wan S.S. Co.

**Hongkong and Macao.**

*Heungshan*, British steamer, 1,055, W. E. Clarke,—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.

**Macao and Canton.**

*Lungshan*, British steamer, 108, Morrison,—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.

*Kiangtung*, Chinese steamer, 563, Holmes,—China Merchant Steam Navigation Co.

**Canton and West River.**

*Lungkiang*, British steamer, 108, J. J. Lossieres,—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.

*City of Whampoa*, Chinese steamer, 40,—Ah Yon.

*Sun Chow*, Chinese steamer,—Ah Yon.

**Hongkong and West River.**

*Saikong*, British steamer, 259, Kwong Wang Steamship Co.

*Cheung Kong*, Y. Kun, 58,—Kwong Wan S.S. Co.

*Lil*, American lorcha.

*Wuchow*, British steamer, R. D. Thomas,—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., J. M. & Co. and B. & S.

*Samshui*, British steamer, Summers,—Hongkong, Canton Macao Steamboat Co., J. M. & Co. and B. & S.

**Lorchas and Schooners.**

*Kutsing*, lorcha, 160, Reynolds, Hongkong to Canton,—Hung Kum Sing.

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